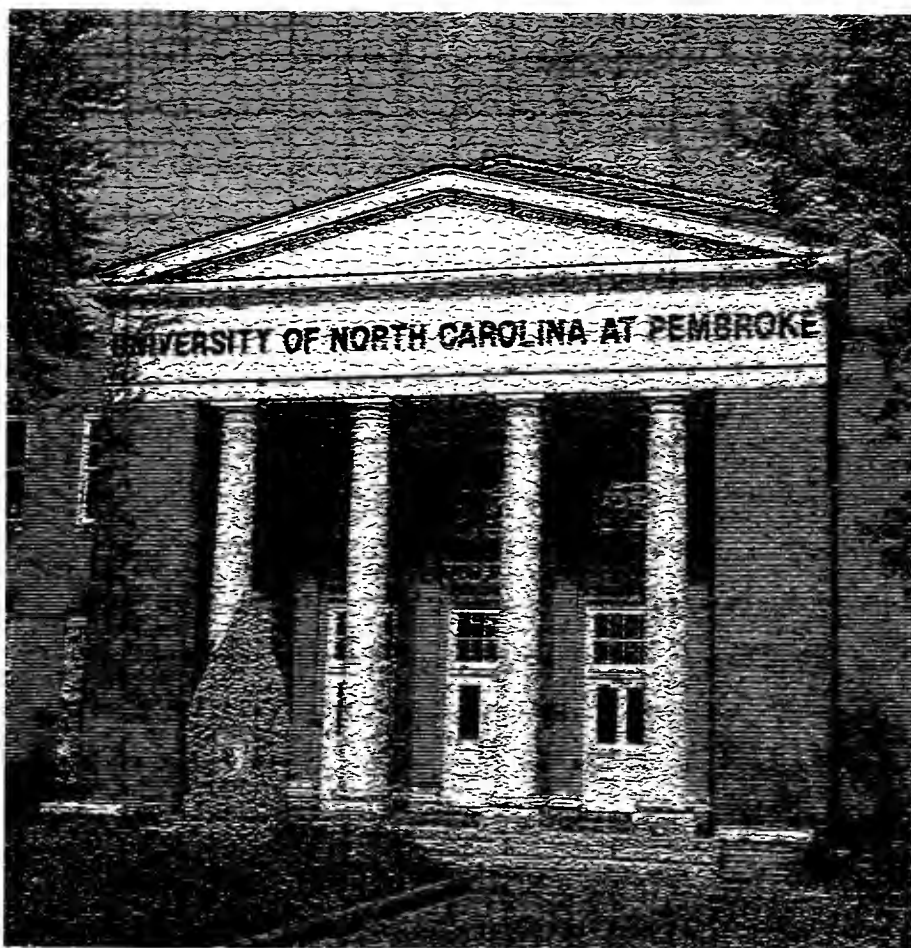


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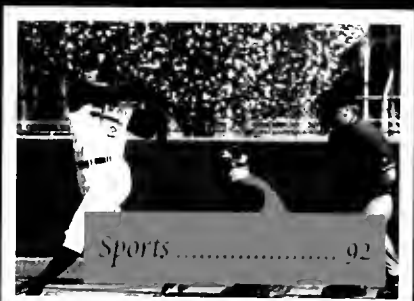
At Freshman Orientation, SGA President Brandon Davis and Vice President Koji Sado actively recruit new freshmen to become involved in student life.



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Together As One

*U*ndeniably the students, faculty, and staff of UNCP are like a close-knit family; they continually come Together As One no matter the cause. The expanding numbers of our student body as well as our great faculty and staff gave Pembroke the distinction of being one of the fastest growing universities in North Carolina.

*N*ational and international recognition through great programs, such as the Master's of Public Management venture in China, and being known for our diversity as well as our low cost have gained Pembroke newfound respect outside our local area.

*Here's to the future—*Graduates get all decked out in their caps and gowns while some go above and beyond and show off their enthusiasm for their future.



he weekend is here!—This student is excited to have another week down and a weekend of relaxation right around the corner.

aster of the grill—Senior Jesse DuParc is the man in charge here at this Courtyard cookout. Bring your plate and side dish because dinner is served.





ang!—Students at Pembroke Day are given the chance to take out some aggression caused by those long nights of studying.

King for a day—Ronald Johnson, our Homecoming King, represents his court in style at Pembroke Day.



Cuteness—This adorable pup will no doubt steal the hearts of many; these two students are the latest victims.

Cheese—Vonti McRae is definitely all smiles on her graduation day, while enjoying the day and looking forward to heading off to grad school.

air, I'll help!—With all the stress of starting a new school year, spare your back and have a friend help you move, as these two are doing.



Place your bet—All smiles, these ladies have luck on their side at Casino Night.



Lucky 7—Trying not to break their concentration on a winning streak, students come out for a night of entertainment Vegas style.

A masterpiece in the making—Art students take great joy and pride in their creations. This one working on a collage smiles with satisfaction in a job well done.





Dancing to the beat—Traditionally dressed, these individuals take part in the NASO PowWow, a UNCP annual event.

Stars and Stripes—The color guard proudly displays our red, white, and blue as spectators sing aloud the Star Spangled Banner.



Sisters of Alpha Kappa Alpha holding a candle light vigil—These sisters are always actively involved in a notable cause on campus.



*C*ultural diversity abounds at Pembroke with our Multicultural Center and great events such as the Pow Wow and Pembroke Day. As well as the diversity of our cultures, there is also the diversity of our student body, with a large number being commuters, part timers, and grad students.

*P*embroke was definitely the place to be, even though the first half of the year there were still students living three to a room. With this overflow there were many projects in the making: a new dorm and additions to the UC and the Science Building.

Step left—or was it right?—Two left feet are no longer a problem as these students glide while practicing the latest moves learned in dance class.

Student Life



What's happening?—The University Center is the place where many students go for a quick snack or a conversation in the middle of a busy day.



As time moved forward, students began to move away from the overwhelming back-to-school blues. They searched for routine and started to adjust to life as a student. As friendships built, and with comfort setting in, school began to feel like home again to old and new faces. Students came together to take part in various school functions and festivals which eased some of the tension involved with classroom studies. These fun-filled activities provided students with a chance to interact socially, relax, and finally have a moment to kick back and smile.

There has to be more to a student's life than books and homework, and it all begins to unwind when the students are able to experience and treasure life as a student.

Worlds Apart!

Representative of UNCP international students, the page and summer of 2001. Earlier in the year, Miss UNCP, a very accomplished and successful beauty queen, expected to win all the prizes and the beauty and again a finalist in a contest, she was the first to win Miss America Strickland and Miss UNCP, a native of the new Miss UNCP, and went on to compete in the Miss North Carolina Pageant.

During their trip to China, summer is a part of UNCP's dedication to the China University of Management and Technology, a Northern professor, Nick Schneider, and his wife, who were used by him to manage the race at Wall Street, and he and other teachers, Schneider explains that our task is to help the training of China's public management professionals and to help the team to go through the introduction of public sector techniques appropriate for a free market economy. It is a very important part of the historic moment.

Education opens many doors, and progress, he says, may be the key to the China market. said Dr. Carolyn Thompson, the director of the University Honor College, Chinese students, in a series of seminars about Western practices in public management and to apply them to their rapidly changing governmental system. Dr. Schneider, a social vice chancellor for International Programs, said the Chinese market for education is huge, and ready for participation of this kind. In addition, attracting more international students to the campus, UNCP will offer more degree and non-degree courses abroad, he said.



Former Miss UNCP Rebekah Revels entertains on campus in 2001. Revels featured prominently in the news during the summer of 2002. Denied the chance to compete in the Miss America pageant, in November she represented the USA in the Miss World pageant.

Before visiting the House of Confucius, Dr. Robert Schneider drops some money into a box that is the equivalent of a wishing well.

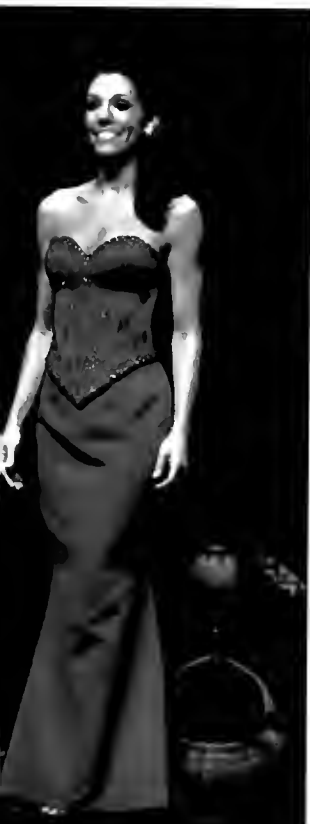


Dreams do come true! Katherine Greer proudly accepts the crown and title of Miss UNC Pembroke from her predecessor, Jessica Reed.



Reaching for the stars! Whitney Dudley impresses the crowd with her dance finale during the talent competition.

China University of Mining and Technology welcomes UNCP Associate Vice Chancellor Alex Chen and professors Dr. Robert Schneider and Dr. Nick Giannatasio for a visit during the summer of 2002.



Looking lovely! Melissa Strickland shines in the formal wear competition at the Miss UNCP pageant.

Dr. Robert Schneider and Dr. Nick Giannatasio pose for a snapshot beneath a banner welcoming UNCP's delegation to China.



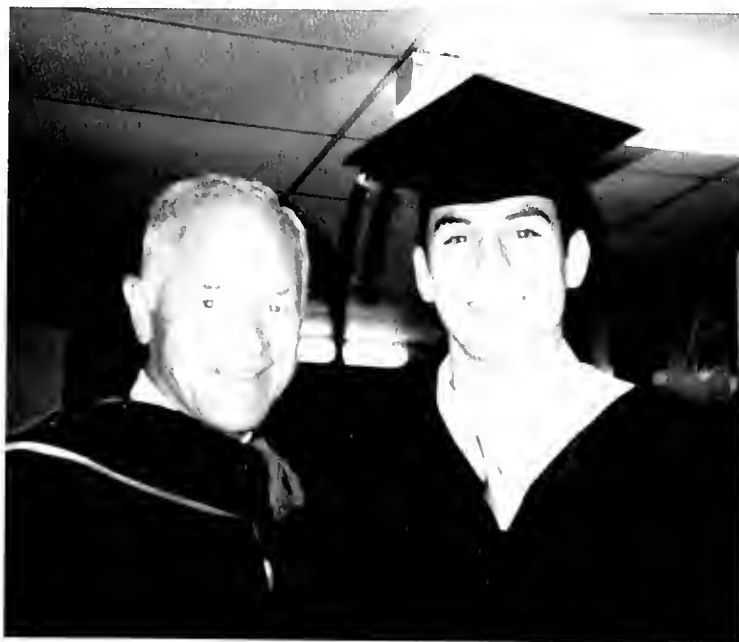
Associate Vice Chancellor Alec Price gets a visit from former *Indianhead* editor Allison Alvarez shortly before his retirement at the end of the Spring 2002 semester.

Gratification

The university along with Chancellor Allen C. Meadors welcomed more than 3,200 friends, families, and other guests to the Main Gym of the Jones Athletic Complex on Saturday, May 11, 2002 for Spring Commencement. As Chancellor Meadors noted to a full crowd, the growing numbers of UNCP graduates has caused the ceremonies to be split twice within the academic year. Meadors congratulated three hundred and thirty-four students; thirty-two of the students received graduate degrees. In closing, Meadors passed on a "simple thought." "It all starts with attitude," he explained. "I believe that attitude is 90 percent of success. People with a positive outlook on life can accomplish just about anything."

Retired congressman Charlie Rose urged for students to find spirituality that will allow self growth and peace. "I encourage you to quickly develop a set of spiritual goals for yourself. This cannot be bestowed on you; you must find it for yourself."

For graduates, reaching their goal and parting from the university with their newly-earned degrees was one the most fulfilling achievements in life.



Former Chancellor Dr. Joseph B. Oxendine congratulates a recent graduate.

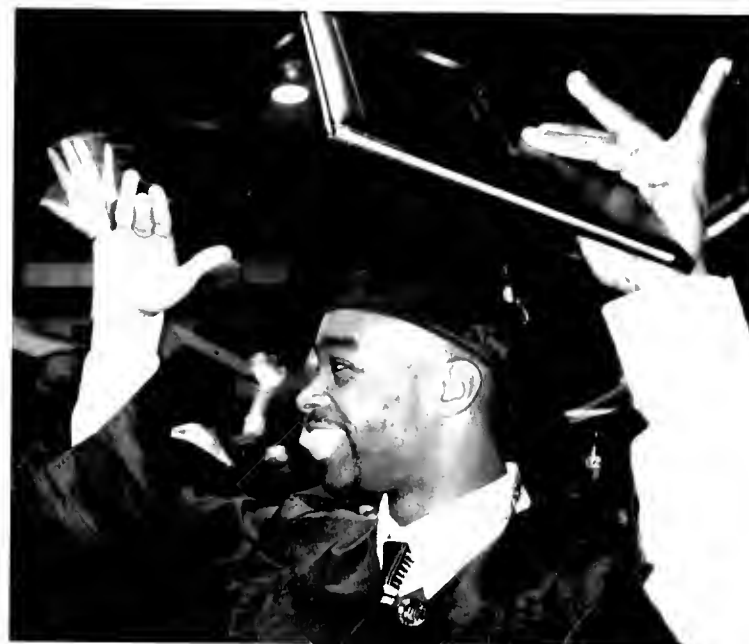
Standing tall and proud, these graduates are destined to be successful.





Another graduate on his way to the real world proudly shakes Chancellor Meadors's hand after receiving his diploma.

All smiles! Graduates Vonti McRae, Jorge Huaman and friends are caught in the moment of some last good-byes.



Looking toward the future, Lynx Tepatondele is all smiles after the ceremony.

Hey! Where's the party at? Carver Campbell waves his diploma in the air.

Caught in a trance, these graduates reminisce about the old days, when their journey had just begun.

Vonti McRae and her brother Roosevelt are ready for a post-graduation celebration.



Graduates wait in anticipation for the final words at the ceremony.



Kareem Hyman and friend Jessie Richardson enjoy the beautiful day of graduation.



Graduation is no longer a dream; Will Flager can finally say that he made it.



Dream Catchers!

Graduates were urged by keynote speaker Charlie Rose to develop a deep sense of spirituality early in life that will carry them peacefully and confidently to the end of their lives. Mr. Rose, 62, retired in 1997 after 12 terms as US Representative for District 7.

The retired congressman was given an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. He was also honored later in the day at a ceremony to open the Charlie Rose Archival Collection in the Sampson-Livermore Library. Mr. Rose said, "There was no question in my mind that my meager collection should be in this place. My career started in Robeson County and ended in this county."

Offering greetings to the graduating class were Barbara S. Perry, a member of the UNC Board of Governors; Robert Nelson, UNC associate vice chancellor for finance; Dr. Cheryl Locklear, chair of the UNCP Board of Trustees; Dr. Patrick Cabe, chair of the UNCP Faculty Senate; Dane Onorio, outgoing president of the UNCP Student Government Association; and Dr. Dwight Pearson, president of the UNCP Alumni Association.

Braving a Celebration

Pembroke Day has always added some excitement to the air of Pembroke. Annually the event attracts diverse sponsors ranging from university offices, professional clubs, fraternities, and sororities to community organizations, businesses, and local schools. All of them contributed to the overall success of the day. Their tables displayed posters and handouts explaining services being offered.

Miss UNCP and Miss Lumbee both appeared, knitting the web between small town and school. The celebration enabled UNCP students to connect with one another and community folks through various forms of entertainment and freebies. Entertainment included singing, dancing, face paints, and of course the guy who draws the funny cartoons. As expected, friends, families, students, and faculty members congregated over a hot lunch, casual conversation, and enjoyable entertainment.



Dr. Cue does a pool exhibition at Pembroke Day that draws a large crowd of those wanting to learn a few pointers.

Miss UNCP, Katherine Greer, stands astonished as she waits in jail at Pembroke Day. Her arresting officer, Vic Whitaker, had better keep a watch out when she gets out of jail.



Homecoming King and Queen, Ronald Johnson and Quiana Robinson, stand beside Abdul Ghaffar, Director of Student Activities, to award prizes at Pembroke Day.

This poor car bears the brunt of all the stress and frustrations when this student picks up the sledge hammer at Pembroke Day.



Mimi Gedlu, Jermaine Thomas, and Rachel Serrano stand under the umbrella to escape the heat on Pembroke Day.

Excited that she has won her crown, this young lady stands patiently while it is adjusted before she makes her appearance at Pembroke Day.

Fighting off the heat of the day, NASO members Brittany Simmons and Jennifer Graham roll up their shirt sleeves and work on their tans.

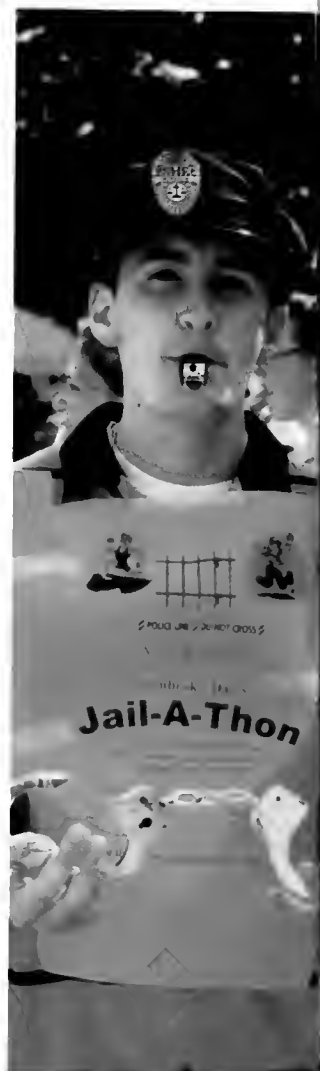


These young visitors from a local school take time to enjoy the festivities while eating their ice cream to stay cool.



Members of Sigma Sigma take time out to show off their pearly whites.

Fun and games—This festive Fornament brought out for Pembroke Day delights all with its wind-like movements.





This student enjoys his job during Pembroke Day. Stay out of his way before he takes you off to jail.



Steve Byrd and Gina Gibson (below left) laugh and smile during the celebration.



On Arrival

Faculty and staff brought an array of business to campus as they made preparations to welcome students back. Parents and students flocked in to unload luggage into dorm rooms and to pile in to the bookstore. Newcomers made efforts to become accustomed to their new living situations. After a long summer break, returning students eagerly reunited with old buddies. Soon campus movement became as busy as the bees. On the first day of class, desks were filled, pencils were pushing, and professors were lecturing. Clubs and organizations held elections to fill positions with candidates.

Pembroke Day is one of the first welcoming events of the academic year. The celebration took place on the lawn adjacent to the UC on Wednesday, September 4, 2002. Musical groups entertained and inspired the crowd. The success of the welcoming ceremony could have been counted by the number of people who showed up and celebrated into the late afternoon.

This caricature artist draws a student during Pembroke Day, which is always a popular attraction.

Grammy Award winner Rita Coolidge
kicks off the Nostalgia Concert Series
on October 5.

Robert M. Rabal and his band blend
Native American and rock music in
their November 7 concert.



Jane Elliott encourages students and
others in the audience to fight against
racism during her October 9 speech.
"Anything you learn, you can unlearn,
including racism," she said.

Lynn Russell gestures to
emphasize a point during
her September 24 appearance
in the GPAC, the first event in
this year's Distinguished
Speaker Series.



Taking the Stage

At the Givens Performance Art Center, the Broadway and More Series began in September with the classic musical *State Fair*. In October, Lorna Luft performed the songs of Judy Garland. November brought a concert by Robert Mirabal, celebrating the spirit of the Native American, and the musical *Swing*. Closing out 2002 was a musical version of the favorite Christmas film *It's a Wonderful Life*. Presented in 2003 were Barry Manilow's *Copacabana* and the Montana Repertory Company production of *The Miracle Worker*. The Nostalgia Series featured concerts by Rita Coolidge, Glen Campbell, Mary Wilson of The Supremes, and Herman's Hermits and The Buckingham. Two special events also

graced our stage this year: *Rent*, an exuberant and original American musical, and *Cinderella*, one of the most beloved fairy tales.



The Distinguished Speaker Series was presented by the office of Student Activities to enhance the cultural and political make-up of the university and the surrounding community. The 2002-3 series began with former CNN anchor Lynn Russell. Jane Elliott challenged her audience to combat racism. Other speakers were Henry Winkler, best known as "Fonz"; James Earl Jones, the voice of the infamous Darth Vader; Rita Moreno, an actress

who has won Oscar, Tony, Emmy, and Grammy Awards; and basketball coach Kelvin Sampson, a UNCP alumnus.



The cast of the musical *Swing* entertains the GPAC audience to an all-singing, all-dancing evening of entertainment on November 18.

Lorna Luft performs one of the "Songs My Mother Taught Me," her tribute to the music of Judy Garland.

Honoring Our Nation

On September 11, 2002, our nation had to relive the terrible memories of the tragedy that occurred just a year ago. At UNCP, students, faculty, and staff united for a memorial held on the front lawn of the UC to honor and remember the heroes who gave their lives on that tragic day.

ROTC Color Guard cadets opened the ceremony and took pride in raising our nation's flag. While we looked to the stars and stripes for hope, we all stood in silent grief. Pembroke faculty, staff, and students came together to lend support to those who needed it the most during our remembrance. Although wounded, we stand tall and proud to be Americans who can live amongst the land of the free.



Sgt. Johnny Torre stands with members of the Army ROTC as they wait for the flag to be raised.

SGA President Brandon Davis, one of several speakers at the memorial, shares his feelings.



During the September 11th memorial, the ROTC color guard raises the flag in remembrance of last year.



UNC Pembroke shows its pride by flying the US flag in honor of those lost and saved.

During the September 11th Memorial, we paused for a moment of silence.



Members of the faculty and staff pay tribute at 9/11 remembrance ceremony.

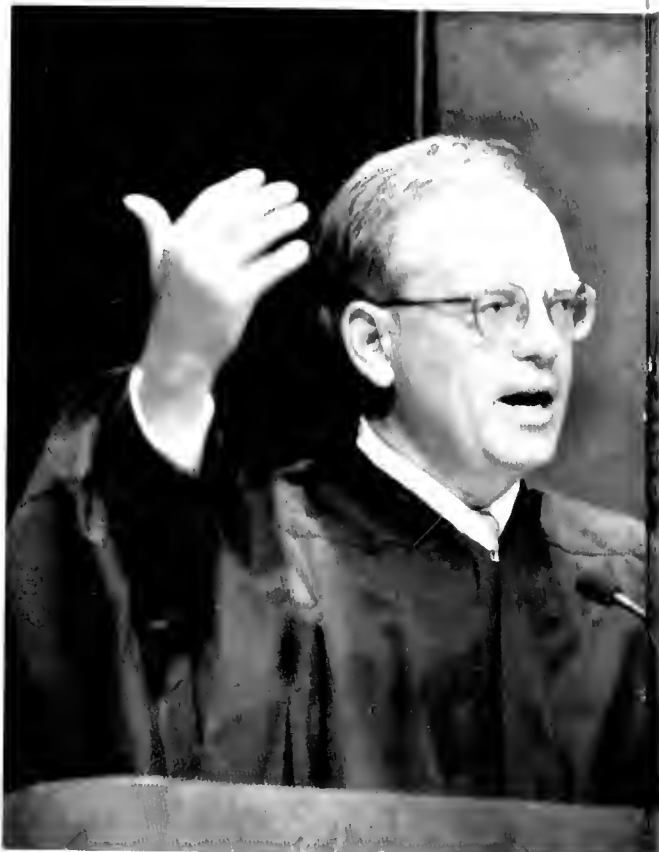
Dr. Thomas Dooling socializes as the event comes to an end.

Growing

Chancellor Allen C. Meadors welcomed the largest freshman class and the largest student body in the history of the university during the August 28 Convocation. "Welcome to the fastest growing university in the UNC system," Meadors said. "When this year's seniors arrived on campus we had about 2,900 students, and they will graduate from a university with more than 4,300."

Convocation speaker Robert F. Orr, an associate justice of the NC Supreme Court, gave an audience of about 800 in the GPAC a civics lesson, citing a string of recent decisions of the state Supreme Court that will affect the citizens of North Carolina for decades to come. One of them—the Leandro Case on school funding equity—is the single-most important legal case in 100 years," Judge Orr said. "The court was unanimous that there is a constitutional right to a sound, basic education. You young people will be dealing with this issue for 10, 20, and 50 years."

Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Roger Brown introduced the speaker and officially signaled the start of a new academic year full of "new opportunities and new challenges." Other remarks were made by Trustee Dr. Cheryl Locklear, SGA President Brandon Davis, and Faculty Senate Chair Dr. Thomas Dooling. Grand Marshal was Dr. Paul Flowers.



Chancellor Meadors is pleased to tell the audience at Convocation about the record numbers of freshmen, transfer students, and graduate students entering UNCP this academic year. New faculty have also been added to accommodate the growth in enrollment.

Theatre professor Holden Hansen salutes the photographer as he and other faculty members march into the GPAC for Convocation on a rainy August morning.

Dr. Paul Flowers, carrying the mace of the Grand Marshal, leads the speakers up to the stage. Flowers was the recipient of the UNC Board of Governors teaching award for 2002.





Justice Robert Orr emphasizes a point as he informs the audience about recent state Supreme Court decisions that will affect their lives for decades to come.

Members of the Concert Band perform the familiar strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" as faculty members enter the GPAC in their academic regalia.



Mr. Gary Wright leads members of the Concert Choir in a stirring rendition of "The Star Spangled Banner" at the start of Convocation.



GA President Brandon Davis welcomes freshmen and returning students as other speakers listen attentively.

This Native American dancer shows off his moves during Pow Wow.

Billy and friends share turns making beats on the drum to make music for the dancers.



Brittany Simmons and Bobby Hunt portray their heritage in authentic dress.

Students such as Jennifer Graham participate in this colorful festival every year.





Sacred Traditions

Native American culture and Indian Heritage Week are two elements deeply rooted into the history of UNC Pembroke. NASO's 2002 Pow Wow allowed students of different backgrounds to reach beyond their realm of culture and explore the art within Native American tradition. On September 17, the Pow Wow festivals began at 4 p.m. on the lawn adjacent to Old Main.

Gathered from all directions, spectators came out to witness the beauty and elegance of the traditional Indian dancers who performed in rhythm with the sounds of the drum.

Other activities sponsored by members of the local community included unique art, jewelry, and crafts that were on exhibit and available for purchase.



Pow Wow dancing is a tiring event; this participant is going to take a break!

Families young and old from the local area come out to celebrate this special event.

ook at us—Dustin Paul and friend smile
at the sight of a camera in West Hall.

Home Sweet Home

Pine, Belk, North, West, and Wellons ... No, these are not scrambled directions for a scavenger hunt; these are the residential halls provided for students on campus at UNCP. Now, when one thinks of dorm life they think, rude roommates, bugs crawling everywhere and small rooms, but in most cases this was not true. UNCP has made many changes so that students feel accommodated in their homes away from home—regardless of the horror stories that have been told across campus of dorm life.

For those who did not want to reside on campus or at home, there were the Courtyard Apartments about 5 minutes in walking distance and 2 minutes in a car from campus. According to senior Misty Fernandez, "I love living in the apartments ... It is the best place to live while attending school." The apartments were equipped with telephone lines, washers and dryers in each room, and best of all... your opposite sex company did not have to leave at a specific time.

But for some, campus life was not as bad as it might have seemed. UNCP did a good job of trying to keep students occupied. From events in the UC to movies at Moore Hall, there was always something to do on campus; whether students chose to participate was a different story. Students also mingled and hung out with friends, enjoying themselves and the company that they kept.



andice Gooch is working the
Pine Hall desk, one of the
many jobs available for campus
residents.

ood friends make life
easier here at Pembroke.





two things at once, eating and talking on the phone—How hard is that?

aisha Vanerford and Julius Locklear agree that friends make the evening better.



his student does last minute paperwork before moving into what will be home for the next couple of months.

One of the favorite pastimes for the guys at the Courtyard is to shoot hoops with their friends.

Lucky 7!

Just in time for the cold weather, UNCP's University Center opened its doors for Casino Night. Students enjoyed the 'Vegas in Pembroke' atmosphere. Flashing lights, craps, roulette, blackjack, and slot machines spirited the students and faculty, who walked around with Coke cups overflowing with fake bills and coins. The dice only stopped rolling long enough to hear the lucky numbers called off of tickets. During the gambling frenzy, some held on strong to their newly found winning streaks, while others met with their tragic misfortune bankruptcy. Luckily for them, the night ended with laughs and smiles from all who were given the opportunity to experiment with trial and error, chance and coincidence, and pure luck.

Lenora Borles works the money wheel table for Catina Ames and friends.

Waiting to see what the dealer has, these students think twice about their blackjack bets.



The players' faces display a range of different emotions as the next card is dealt in this blackjack game.

These students are guessing where the dice will land while Eddrena Surles stands back and watches.





Jeremy is waiting to hit Lucky 7's on this slot machine!



Cameron is the only one not worried about his hand on this high-rolling blackjack table.

On the Go

One of the biggest problems commuters had to face was finding a decent parking space and trying to avoid getting a ticket from Ms. Betty. With the increased enrollment this year, the quest for parking became that much more difficult.

On the plus side, there were a lot of services that catered toward commuters, such as the Commuter Lunches every other

week at the BSU House. There were also commuter lockers located in the University Center, where commuters

could also get a bite to eat, study or use the computers in the Commuter Lounge.

watch TV, rest, or just hang out with their friends. Commuters also spent time between classes outside the various classroom buildings, in the library, or in their homes away from home—their cars.

ackpacks are essential equipment for commuters; this student checks hers on her way from her car to class.

ommuters often use their cars to review for class in the parking lot before leaving their vehicles.



his student takes advantage of the Commuter Lounge on the second floor of the University Center to review for upcoming exams.

ommuter students spend a lot of time walking, sometimes in the rain.





Indsay Spangler and Kristi Gleffe use a picnic table behind the Dial Building to chat between classes.



Commuters don't just study in their cars; they often eat in them, too.



Following a national trend, SUVs have become popular with commuter students.

The student above uses the Commuter Lounge to study between classes.

His commuter celebrates because he has just finished his last paper of the semester.

First place winner Ryan Tingle will receive a treat of free books on his next visit to the Bookstore.

Hocus Pocus!

The witching day of Halloween is the only day when students can express themselves and transform into their most creative being. A lot of students opted for medical attire, with plenty of nurses and Dr. Love. Some expressed originality; others felt comfort in more traditional roles. Pembroke's celebration began early in the Dial AV Theatre with Sigma Tau Delta's Halloween poetry reading. Although there were no prizes being offered, students were given a chance to share their poetry in the spotlight. On Oct. 30, CAA sponsored their first Halloween parade, which started in front of the Sampson Livermore Library and finished behind the Dial Building. Participants decorated their vehicles with elaborate ghoulish decor and tossed candy.

Halloween morning opened in full swing with creative costumes plowing through the bookstore's door. The annual costume contest offered the grand winner a redeemable cash prize for free books upon his next visit. The Greeks entertained that night by announcing Greek Treats, which offered nearby community children the opportunity to celebrate with fun activities and games. The little ones were able to participate in face painting, and of course they received their treats, too. As the night ended, *The Exorcist* played as the horror *Midnight Movie*.

Erin Murner, Kristi Gleffe, and Dr. Nancy Barrineau lighten up the Dial Building with their festive costumes.



Pumpkin Boy shows off for the judges at the bookstore costume competition in hopes of the first prize.



Nick Adrian, as Astro-Glide, wins second prize in the Bookstore's costume competition.



From spiders to pumpkins, the signs of this ghoulish holiday were visible all around campus.



Frankenstein is back to find a new bride—someone should warn Aimee Robinson.

Many departments get into the spooky spirit. One of the most decked out for the holiday is the Bookstore.

duardo Henriquez and his dance partner show off their salsa moves at *La Noche Latina*, one of the many special events held in the UC during the year.

eronica Emanuel and Penny Oxendine are hard at work in the information booth in the UC.

ower nap in progress— Many students seek the UC as a place for relaxation between classes.



atching your favorite show is never a problem; these students take advantage of one of the TVs in the UC to catch up on their favorite program.

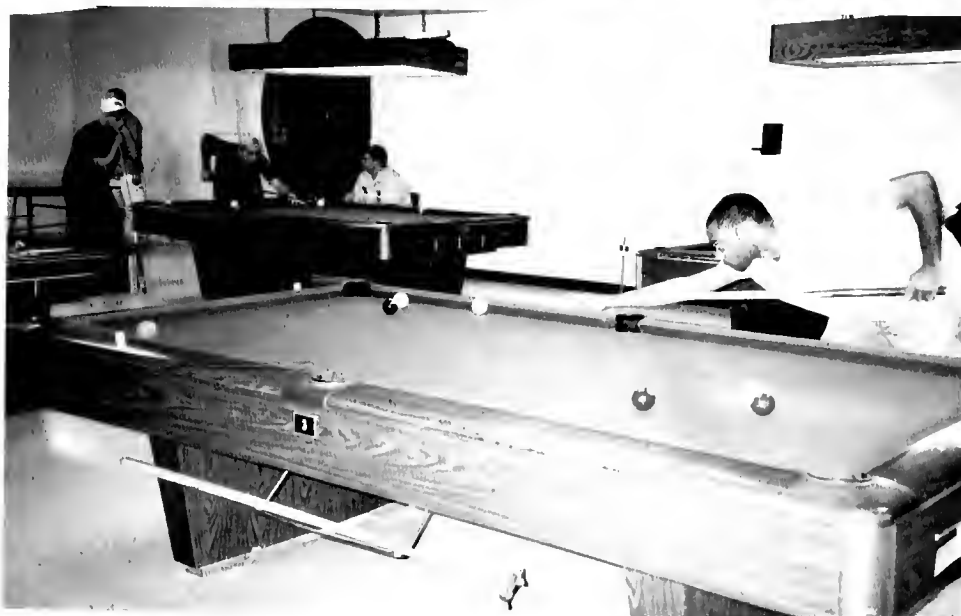
o some students the Commuter Lounge upstairs in the UC with computers, TV, and a microwave is the perfect study area.





great way to unwind after a filling lunch is to lounge out on one of the many couches in the UC.

Three ball in the corner pocket—Many students enjoy going to the gameroom to play pool like this guy.



What Do UC?

The University Center, known to most students as the UC, was more than just a place to eat lunch. There were several activities offered to students. They could bowl and play games in the gameroom, or they could enjoy a restaurant type of atmosphere at Bert's. The cafeteria has been reconstructed: not only is it bigger, but it has a brand new look to keep up with the growing number of students at UNCP. TVs and couches are also a must for the average college student, and they were made very accessible in the UC for your comfort and most of all rest. The UC was also a home away from home for many commuter students. It was equipped with a commuter lounge filled with computers and, of course, everyone's favorite, a TV. Thanks to Mrs. Cynthia Oxendine, the UC Director, there was a now a courtesy telephone. The UC was also home to all of the University's formal dances and socials. So for all of your social needs, we'll see you at the UC.

Catching a quick bite to eat before class, these students are eating in the newly remodeled café.

riends like these girls keep
one another happy.

Brandon and Scooby pose at
Casino Night.



hese students enjoy their
ice cream on the go.

Don't these friends look like
they are having a good
time?





Three, or more, is never a crowd at Bert's.

eterans can remain friends for a lifetime, as these men show at Pembroke Day.



The Best of Friends

Some say that your best friends for life are the ones you will meet in college. This was all too real with the 'families' of friends uniting all around you day in and day out. UNCP was within itself a family of friends with a wide range of diversity and friendships that bridged the gap.

Friends were those people who stayed up with you for no particular reason just to talk. Friends made sure that you woke up for class, especially on a big exam day. Friends were able to go with you to the cafe and to Food Lion with you wearing your fuzzy slippers and your favorite pajamas. Friends were those who shared their very last helping of ramen noodles just so both of you wouldn't go hungry. Friends were those people who were the happiest to see you when you walked in the door. Friends were those who still liked you even when you did the stupidest thing in your life. They did not judge you but gave you all their love and support.

People have friends at any age in their life, whether young or old. The most important aspect of friendship was that these were people that you connected with. They sometimes finished your thoughts or knew what you were thinking without its being said. Friends could be anyone. Who said you don't need friends?



Oh to be so young—These boys are the best of friends and do almost everything together, including watching a performance at Pembroke Day.

Say Cheese

Smile for the camera and say 'Cheese,' 'Money,' or just laugh at the cameraman. Your smile will go a long way to show your personality and your attitude towards life. With friends like these and good times at UNCP, you couldn't help but to smile. These students were just unsuspecting victims of a camera that captured their everyday joyful nature.

There is something about a smile that says so much, whether it be a simple hello or a reflection of emotion. Since it takes fewer muscles to smile than to frown, one would think that people would be showing off their pearly whites all the time. A smile will lift up your face and brighten someone's day, so don't try to fight it. You know you can't hide it, so say 'Cheese' and smile.

erri Stewart smiles as she sits in the UC and looks forward to the end of exam week.

picture says a thousand words. At Pembroke Day people love to have a caricature drawn.



lways concerned about students, Chancellor Meadows is often seen with them.

ick Westmoreland enjoys working the jail-a-thon at Pembroke Day.





ne picture says a thousand words. These friends smile as they are catching up on the week's happenings.

smile can also convey a thousand words. Jennifer Odom glances over her shoulder and says "Hello" with a grin.



Catching up—At Pembroke Day many people run into friends and always share a laugh or two.



A frequent sight on campus is cell phones in use—Wonder who this guy is talking to?

This man is all about showing off his first tattoo at Wicked Sensations in Lumberton!

Corey can't get rid of the smile while showing his tattoos and gauged ear piercings.



Tara is all smiles showing off her new addition to her eyebrow!

Kristin is proud to show off her flowered tongue barbell!



Ricky shows off his artwork on his arm—
Tribal all the way!!!



Temporary or Permanent?

That was the first question most people posed when considering tattooing or piercing. For about five years tattooing and piercing have been on a serious rise. It is now the cool thing to do and in some cases how to show your individuality.

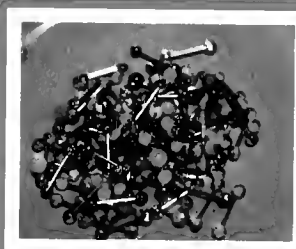
To the tattooed and pierced at Penn broke you aren't alone. Many other campuses have tattoo places directly across the street while we had to drive to the other side of town on exit 17.

The excitement of getting tattooed was what usually caused most people to want another and another and another. For some tattooing was more ad-

dictive but you saw more people in a tattoo parlor getting pierced than tattooed.

Be it from Philadelphia's famous artistic South Street or right here in Robeson

County just know that walking around it was inevitable that you would see a piercing or tattoo.



Daisha Vanerford and Alex Bryant pose proudly for the shot of their pierced belly buttons!



Erin Berry shows off the tattooing process from Wicked Sensations.

Exams week is also a time to pack for the holidays. en Kassahun, Maria Mel-anthiou, and friends prepare for finals.



Jennifer Hicks shares "breakfast" with April Cauldill and Jason Bullock. The traditional exam breakfast is a much needed meal before finals and a final chance to meet up with friends before the holidays.

Breakfast is served—Dr. Jeff Geller and Chancellor Meadors are a few of the faculty and staff there to serve students at the late night breakfast before finals.



ap time—With the late nights of cramming for exams, the UC is often a place where students are caught napping between finals.

Dazed & Confused

The semester finally came to an end; all that was left was the dreaded exam week. With a week of exams and so much of your grade depending on it, no wonder many students felt burned out. With that in mind, the faculty and staff traditionally sponsor an exam 'breakfast' the night before the first day of finals. It's a time to relax and unwind as well as to take some of the stress off the week of exams. This year, on Monday, December 9, students were greeted through the serving line and dished up by Chancellor Meadors as well as their own professors.

Finals week wasn't all about cramming and taking that last final; it was also about packing up, saying good bye to some very dear friends, and finalizing plans for the holiday break. For seniors graduating at the end of the Fall semester, it was also a time to get ready for their big day on Saturday, December 14, and for their lives after UNCP.



he late night exam breakfast is a welcomed time to relax and take time out to think of things other than final grades.



aking sure to get enough to avoid the lines for seconds, this student is off to find her friends and enjoy her meal.

Deck The Campus

As cold winter weather approached many people began to feel not only the weather changes but also the Christmas spirit. Even though the annual Christmas party in the University Center was not well attended the participants still enjoyed themselves. With a jitterbug band playing some started dancing to the music. Others took their chances with Santa Claus and the rest watched and mingled with the other participants.

Another bright side of Christmas at UNCP was gift giving. There was not a day that passed that you did not see Angel trees and groups collecting money to donate to families that were in need, said freshman Donita Jones. The University Center was decked with the Yuletide joy from top to bottom. Wreaths, lights, and even confetti snow made for a great Christmas effect. As students scurried about preparing for exams and then rushing to go home, the spirit of Christmas was still present in everyone's hearts and souls.



Staff members (top) take time out to enjoy the music and the food at the campus Christmas party.

Christmas wrappings (above and right) show up everywhere: on the Angel Tree gifts collected for needy children and on one of the doors in North Hall's dorm decorating contest.



Richard Carnegie and Jennifer Stout are all decked out for the Christmas Semi-Formal in the UC.





Some people are never too young to take a picture with Santa Claus.

Dr. Ed Powers and dance partner are in the swing at the Christmas Party.

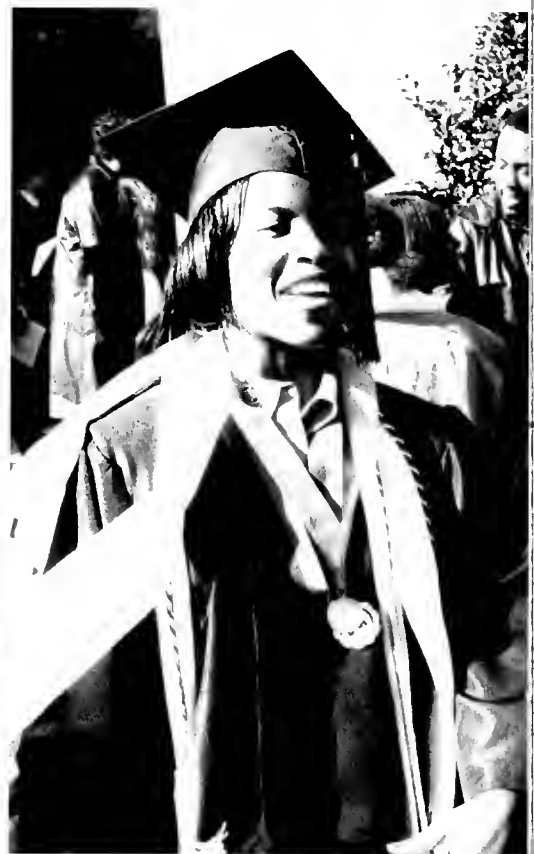


What I really want for Christmas is . . . a 4.0 grade point average, this student tells Santa.

BSU minister Ron Sanders and various staff members provide great music for the campus party.

eniors (below and bottom center) listen attentively to the speakers, but their minds are really on the diplomas they will soon be receiving.

ords, medallions, and sashes signify honors won and organizations students have participated in during their years at UNCP. Lakita Sutton has been a very active, involved student.



At Last!

The 328 graduates were a record number for the third Winter Commencement held on Saturday, December 14, with a record 91 graduate degrees conferred. Offering greetings were Hannah Gage of the UNC Board of Governors; Dr. Gretchen Bataille, a UNC senior vice president; Gary Oxendine of the UNCP Board of Trustees; Dr. Thomas Dooling of the Faculty Senate; Brandon Davis, president of the SGA; and Dr. Dwight Pearson of the UNCP Alumni Association.

Speaker Paul Flowers, a chemistry professor and 2002 winner of the UNC

Board of Governors Award for Teaching Excellence, talked to the graduates about "fear as a motivational factor." "I firmly believe that fear is an unavoidable emotion for healthy, mature humans," Dr. Flowers said. "The ideal college graduate is a person who experiences and acknowledges fear, but one who feels confident in their



ability to prevent its realization, a person with their arms open, receptive and tolerant, ready to embrace the future," he said.

"I hope you fear the future, and that you overcome that fear with great achievements."





his student experiences
what all the graduates have
waited for: getting that degree.



usic major
Daren Sellers
proudly wears his Phi
Mu Alpha sash as he
enters the GPAC.

graduates get
hugs from
family and friends
outside the GPAC
after the ceremony.



ocial Work major Ronnie Eddings and
his canine companion, Jesse, cross the
stage to loud applause after Eddings has
received his diploma.

tudent athlete Mike Jimenez, one of the
standouts on our cross country and track
teams for the past four years, gets a hug from
one of his younger fans after receiving his
degree in Physical Education.

These twin sisters know how to flare up a good snowball fight.



Ray sports his winter wear in style during the 2003 winter storm.



Winter snow brings students out of their dorms to celebrate class cancellations.

Freezing temperatures shock many residents across our state.



Nick Andre (below) raps his way into becoming the third place winner of the Open Mic contest. **F**irst place winner Joe Evans (right) sings his heart out while snatching the winning position.



Fire and Ice

Hot talent and cold weather symbolized the start of our 2003 spring semester. Some of the opening events of the new year included Open Mic Nite, the Miss UNCP pageant, a dance, and last but not least the one day of the year when North Carolina was hit with one of the heaviest snow storms seen in many years.

On January 16, 2003, students awoke to snowfall that had already covered the ground with at least two inches or more in local areas. Students, faculty, and staff found themselves calling the emergency hotline, listening to cancellations on the radio, and scanning the television to discover that classes had been canceled. On campus students took this once a

year opportunity to bundle up and head outside. Some played traditional games, gathering and packing snow in their hands and then throwing them at one another to start an on-campus snowball fight. Others simply enjoyed the winter air and flaky white snow.

Open Mic Nite took place on Tuesday, January 14, in the University Center. The contest labeled a few lucky students as some of the most talented on campus. Performances differed from tradi-

tional folk songs, to free-style rhymes, to rock-n-roll. While the snow covered the ground and kept some cold-bodied students indoors, these talented few kept the dorms and apartments alive with awesome entertainment.



This lady receives all 10's across the score board during Open Mic Night.

Cold snow against the warm flesh, this girl bombs her friend with a chunky snowball.

Fans proudly support friends and family

Winners smile across the stage.



Fans proudly support friends and family

Finally, UNCP's version of Broadway begins!





Aja Locklear's crowning moment as Miss UNCP 2003 brings tears to her eyes as she receives her tiara from her predecessor, Katherine Greer.

Heather Jaques stuns the audience during the formal wear competition, while Kristen Britt's upbeat talent grabs hold of the audience.



Shining Stars

Aja Terrell Locklear, a sophomore from Maxton, was crowned Miss UNCP 2003 at the 49th annual scholarship pageant held Jan. 30 in the Givens Performing Art Center. She also won the talent portion of the competition. Locklear will receive a \$1,000 scholarship, free room and board for the fall semester, a class ring from Jostens, an oil portrait, and a \$1,000 wardrobe allowance to help her on her way to the Miss North Carolina Pageant. "This is a wonderful experience," Locklear said. "It's going to be well worth the hard work. I'm going to definitely make a difference this year." Mistress of Ceremonies was Rebekah Revels, Miss UNC Pembroke of 1998 and Miss North Carolina 2002. She entertained, as did Pageant Director Lorna McNeill, Miss North Carolina 2000. First runner up was Robyn Baker of Northfield, N.J. She will receive a \$300 scholarship and will take on any future commitments if Locklear is unable to attend. Second runner up was Crystal Batten of Lumberton. She will receive a \$200 scholarship. Third runner up was Selina Craig from Laurinburg. She will receive a \$100 scholarship. Miss UNCP 2001, Jessica Reed, awarded the Jessica Reed and Family Service Scholarship. The \$100 scholarship went to Jessica Park of Clinton. Fallon Lord, of Hope Mills, won the Miss Congeniality award. The theme of the pageant was "A Bit of Broadway" and with the talent seen that night, it was clear these girls were headed into the spotlight.

Carrie Nelson, Megan Miller, and friend are fired up with Brave spirit during the Homecoming Parade.

Rolling in Spirit

The 2003 Homecoming Parade was conducted on Thursday, February 20, 2003. Student organizations, sororities, and fraternities excitedly participated in the event. Students proudly represented the groups to which they belonged. The actions included yelling, jumping and tossing candy out to the spectators. Some rode in fancy cars decorated with

signs and paint while others chose to walk. Participants were not limited to students as some came from the local area to help Pembroke in its celebration. The Green Berets Parachute Team concluded the parade by jumping out of a UH-1 'Huey' helicopter onto the old field by the Dial Humanities Building. Overall students, faculty, and staff were delighted with all events.



Christopher Adams and other CAB members smile in delight as they participate in the parade.

Zeta Phi Beta members represent their sorority with a decorative banner.

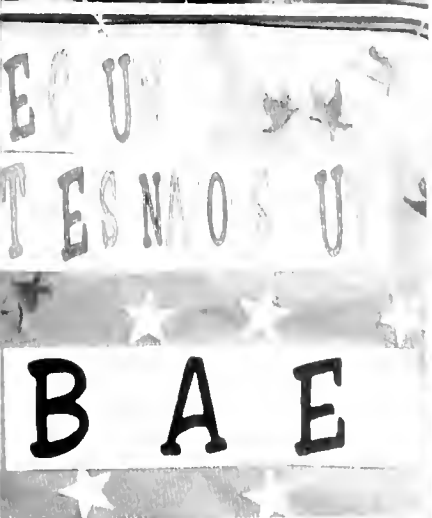




Chancellor Allen Meadors and wife celebrate the event. Below them, fired up students parade through the main square.



Green Beret David Lillico touches down on the soccer practice field concluding the parade.



Proud to display the American flag, Brave Company Colorguard lead the way as the parade finally begins!



Spectators crowd themselves on the steps of North Hall, anxious for the parade to start.

The anticipated moment: for 2003, our Homecoming King and Queen are Amy Locklear and B.C. Thomas.

Amy Woodell catches a picture with James Earl Jones after he spoke in the GPAC on Tuesday night.



Got skills: Steve takes his shot in the three-point shoot out contest held after the pep rally.

Looking lovely, ladies: Candace, Jessica, and Mia are ready for the Semi-formal dance.



Elegant evening: Jennifer Hicks and boyfriend take a last look before heading off to the dance.



Celebrate

The Student Activities Office, along with the Student Government Association, the Campus Activities Board and the Alumni Association, scheduled a full week of thrilling events in order to celebrate the Homecoming. Events included a match between the faculty and staff against the students in a basketball game, a live band performance, a dorm spirit competition, distinguished speaker guest James Earl Jones, Mary Wilson of the Supremes, comedian D.L. Hughley, a semi-formal dance, a Greek block party, a Pep Rally, and the Parade. At halftime of the men's basketball game Amy Locklear, a junior from Laurinburg, was crowned Homecoming Queen and B.C. Thomas, a senior from Fayetteville, was crowned Homecoming King.



ALumberton step show team (above) shows off their moves during the Homecoming parade.

SSecond above, Mike Zimmermann jumps down for a photo as this Green Beret member packs his parachute.

Organizations



La La La, voices in harmonic symmetry—The Concert Choir mesmerizes the audience at Pembroke Day with their wonderful ensemble performance.



I imagine the possibilities of experiencing new things in your life as well as all the people that you could meet by becoming involved in an organization. Everybody at least once in their life should join an organization, and what better place than UNCP? Clubs and organizations at Pembroke have always strived to allow students the opportunity for personal and social growth.

From social to academic clubs, the students of UNCP had a wide variety of organizations to become involved with, and as our student enrollment increases the possibilities are endless as to what our future holds.

CAB members ride in the Homecoming parade and decorate the UC Lounge for the Homecoming Semi-formal, Koji Sado gets ready to preside at a Spring 2003 SGA meeting



Student Government Association—Front: Jermaine Thomas, Senel Vurgun, Koji Sado, Tommy Crane, Ruth Nichols; Middle: Marko Grgovic, Adam Grassman, Shannon Gentry, Jeremy Johnson, Theresa Vitak, Brian Corn, Rachel Herbert, Misty Fernandez, Chris Adams, Alphonzo Thomas III, Andrea Miyagi; Back: Siporia Wrighton, Dominique Sorpetz, Jennifer Langley, Lenora Bowler, Tonye Agins, Jennifer Arends, Ryan Jewell



LEADERSHIP

The Student Government Association and the Campus Activities Board put forth an effort to be considered the backbone of the student body through their leadership and methods to keep us entertained here at UNCP.

SGA was very aggressive in addressing issues and concerns of the students. They sponsored or cosponsored a number of campus events, including Homecoming and A Taste of Culture. Also the SGA President and Vice President hosted a monthly television forum on WNCP-TV, *The Student Voice*, going over issues with Chancellor Meadors and other guests to address a variety of topics. The group was very well representative of both resident students and commuter students. The 2002-3 officers for SGA were Brandon Davis (President, Fall 2002), Koji Sado (Vice-President, Fall 2002; President, Spring 2003), Tommy Crane (Vice-President, Spring 2003), Senel Vurgun (Secretary), and Jermain Thomas (Treasurer).

CAB planned various events for the student body for the 2002-2003 year. They provided events for students like the weekly movies and a variety of comedians. They also provided decorative ideas for the Christmas Semi-formal and the Homecoming Semi-formal.



Campus Activities Board—Front: James Doss, Theresa Vitok, Marion Denkey, Joanne Komiewski-Vice Chair, Madeira Hafner-Chair, Vic Whitacre, Jennifer Tullio; Back: Kelly Velez, Tommy Crane, Allen Dorffield, Navshree Karmali, Lenora Fowler

OPPORTUNITY

At UNCP, there were a number of organizations that recognized students' talents and interests and also gave their members the chance to lend a helping hand back to the community. One of the new honorary organizations on campus this year was Gamma Beta Phi (ГБФ), which provided opportunities for community service.

The University Honors College, which was in its second year during 2002-3, gave students with strong academic records a variety of enhanced academic opportunities, cultural experiences, and leadership activities to create a "learning community." Students selected to join the program had distinguished themselves in high school or at the university level with proven records of academic achievement, leadership, and community involvement.

The Leadership and Service Opportunities Program (LSOP) encouraged students to develop their leadership potential and participate in community service activities. The group's 300-plus members included a large number of commuter and nontraditional students. Some of the community service activities that members participated in included tutoring, food and clothing drives, roadside cleanups, literacy projects, blood drives, mentoring, and much more.

The University Marshals were on hand at a wide variety of events held at the Givens Performing Arts Center, assisting those in attendance through ticket collection, distribution of information about the event, and directing guests to their seats. They covered major university programs such as graduation and performances in the Broadway and More Series, which included *Rent*, *It's a Wonderful Life*, *Cinderella*, and many other shows.



Gamma Beta Phi—Front: Jamie Ellis, Shelley Musso; Vice President, Melonie Clark; Advisor; Second Row: Geneva Pittman, Deanna Sullivan, Brandi Cutler, Adrin Fontilus, Jorgita Schwem, Andrea Winter, Michelle Fuentes; Third Row: Emily Morris, Angelie Santos, Angela Boone, Georgia Ivin, Mike Tynes, Shannon Cichvan, Maureen Baisley, LaKinya Hymon, Becky LaPolice-Murphy; Fourth Row: Jessica Collins, Sherry Ann Hunt, Jennifer Jackson, Benton Thomas, Brandon Jones, Anthony Staples, Scott Ammons, Melissa Huxler



Honors College—First: Rachel, Jessica Shrimer, Beth Butler, Erin Saltzman, Alexis Elliot, Genieve Lohrsta, Andrea Writer, Becky Purkall, Jason Bewiley; Second: Dr. Thompson, Kevin Shepard, Amy Hutton, Samel Vergun, Stephanie Hammond, Hannah Harrell, Barbara Jacobson, Maureen Baisley, Justin Hall, Third: Mrs. Lisa Smith, Michael Zundros, Jonathan Shiffert, Jerry Autry, Dustin Shires, Tom Martin, Wes, Fourth: Thibault Edwards, Tina Talsma, Nate Humphrey, Robin Connolly, Bruce Pier



L SOP member Ronnie Eddings gets Jesse ready for the December 2002 graduation, University Marshals distribute programs for graduation and survey the crowd at a GPAC event.



Gamma Beta Phi/Honors College/LSOP/Marshals—Front: Terry Autry; Second: Alphonza Thomas III, Shannon Hevels, Monica Frank; Third: Amy Luckless, Andrew Mitchell, Tasha Feyton, Calvin Webster, Tommy Crane; Back: J.C. Kurthington, Melonic Clark, Amy Windell, Flossie M. Hunt, Sheila Swift, Teresa Smith



University Marshals—Front: Jennifer Hammings, Ashkezi Chavis, Angelie Santos, Megan Scott, Heather Jaques, Monica Frank; Back: Sheila Swift, Blake Tyner, Lenita Hammings, Kressa Cummings

H ealth Careers Club members reach out at Pembroke Day; Biology Club members are active in roadside cleanup.



Biology Club—Kathy Frye, Sandra Naszarky, Courtney Corrigan, Maureen Kuisley, Vernice Garner, Andrea Winter, Allen Derks, Adria Pontinas, Candy Juarez, Benjamin Bryon, Rebecca Rice, Laura Bowers, Susan Severson, Terece Neff, Rebecca Blake, Mr. William Bruce Ezell



Chemistry and Physics Club—Front: Meredith Storms, Rachel Sereno, Kim Sullcock; Back: Carolinda Norton, Rizzy Thompson, Bruce Pier (President), Joe Hamilton (V. President)



SCIENTIFIC

Students interested in science or science-related fields could participate in a number of organizations that provided members with opportunities for academic enrichment and professional development as well as community service and social events.

Biology Club activities included a kayak trip to Hommocks Beach on Labor Day weekend and a trip to the Carnivore Presentation Trust in Pittsboro. The club had a booth at Pembroke Day, and club members gave presentations at the Boys' and Girls' Club Science Day. Some members also attended the conference of the Association of Southeastern Biologists on April 9-11, 2003. Their service activities included roadside cleanups on Union Chapel Road two times per semester. They were currently working on a project to create Biology Club T-shirts and hats with the club logo. Officers for 2002-3 were Rebecca Rice (President), Candy Jacobs and Laura Bowers (Vice Presidents), Kathleen Long and Kathy Frye (Secretaries), and Andrea Winter and Maureen Baisley (Treasurers).

The Chemistry and Physics Club provided educational and social activities for students majoring in the physical sciences. The Health Careers Club sponsored speakers throughout the year who provided information on the health professions for club members and other interested students. They visited a local daycare on Halloween, and they discussed safety with daycare and pre-school children. This year's officers were Leanne Stanley (President), Ashleigh Johnson (Secretary), Adam Clark (Vice President), and Crystal Allen (Treasurer). The Science Education Club provided activities for future science teachers.



Health Careers Club—Front: Waji Al-Snedi, Angelle Santis, Jennifer Jackson, Tamim Alsaceli, Olivia T. Johnson (Advisor), Kizzy Thompson; Middle: Amran Hussein, Leanne Stanley, Kresia Mimmings, Lisa Diol, Pamela Erickson; Back: Marcus Stumland, Tyler Collins, Crystal Allen, Ashleigh Johnson, Cherece Grier, Shereka D'Arcy, Jason Lowery



Science Education Club—Tracy Gilson, Dr. Sue Dowden, Donald Fisher, Amanda Knowles, Miller Slaughter, Sally McCarter

PREPARATION

Army and Air Force ROTC trained the young men and women who participated in these programs for the real world. Through combat exercises, physical training, and leadership developmental classes, these cadets reached for a new-found excellence.

AFROTC trained special students to become qualified Air Force officers through a highly specialized curriculum. Cadets got into formation every Tuesday during lab to review marching procedures and later gained academic knowledge of international affairs in the classroom.

AROTC cadets sponsored events including water survival training in the university pool, where cadets learned how to step off the edge and take the plunge. Before panic set in, they walked blindfolded off the high dive and learned the technique of how to save each other's lives in time of crisis. Other activities included the always-enjoyable early morning physical training exercises. These future men and women of the armed services also volunteered in a number of community service activities, such as roadside cleanup, and could always be found showing patriotism during color guard ceremonies.



Air Force ROTC—Front: George Coxates, Murray McKeithan, Nestor Flores, Aero Dwight, Kristina Kennie—Delta Flight Commander; Back: Steve Fountain, John Pednar, Brian Kleschek; Not Pictured: Altan Stephens—Special Projects Officer, Serena Sullivan—Operating Location Commander, Bobby Hill, Brandon Michael



Air Force and Army ROTC are both well represented at Pembroke Day.



Army ROTC—Front: Miyagi, McClellan, Foss, Jullin, Hutchison; Middle: Drewington, MSG Torre, Hill, Suchman, Singletary, Craig, Dorton, Jones; Back: Weaver, Frazier, Greenman, Kornell, Brown, CPT Austin, Smith.

RAs like Riley Secrist have to fill out a lot of paper work; Lucy Hammonds is waiting for the rest of her RAs to arrive for their meeting, the Ambassadors pass out information at Pembroke Day



Alpha Phi Omega—Front: Melanie Clark-Advisor, Amy Woodell, Dee Patrick, J.C. Worthington; Back: Lawrence Locklear-Advisor, Tommy Crane, Scott Ammons, Hill Alsbrook, Terry Autry, Roger Killian-Advisor



Ambassadors—Gary Rogers, Alton Bryant, Tara Bishop, Fallon Lunt, Jennifer Wallace, Jessica Arrendondo, Melissa Brown, Tamara Watson, Aviston Harris, Valisha Adams, Tanya Agins, Andrew Davis, Cotina Ames, Nate Humphrey, Ashley Williams, Jennifer Sechler, Cherice Grier, Charles Triplet, Lala Barajas



SERVICE

Alpha Phi Omega (ΑΦΩ), the University Ambassadors, the Association of Pembroke Peer Leaders and Educators (APPLE Corps), and the residential life staff all worked to accommodate the needs of their fellow students.

Alpha Phi Omega was a new honorary organization at UNCP this year, but its members were already very active in a number of community-service projects.

UNCP's Ambassadors worked with the Admissions office to help the university reach its goal of higher enrollment. When prospective students arrived for the Fall and Spring Open Houses, the Ambassadors gave tours of the campus and provided information about what UNCP had to offer while high school students and parents looked on. Ambassadors officers were Tara Bishop (President), Cherece Grier (Secretary), Charles Triplett (Social Director), and Fallon Lord (Vice President).

APPLE Corps provided a variety of Workshops on Wednesdays (WOW), sponsored various health screenings, and participated in a number of campus events. The 2002-3 APPLE Corps officers were Carrie Preston (President), Hilary Griffin (Vice President), Kimberly Burkham (Secretary), and Hope Owens (Treasurer).

Residential Life staff members maintained a prosperous and comfortable environment for their dormitory residents during the academic year. Residents of the UNCP campus found a home away from home with the help of RAs, RDs and the Dormitory Supervisors.



APPLE Corps—Front: Hope Owens, Chris Kincy, Jennifer Howell; Back: Wendy Charwin, Hilary Griffin, Kimmie Burkham, Carrie Preston, Erin Smith



Resident Assistants—Front: Steve Johnson, Calvin Webster, Sabrina Clark, Travis Brown, Scott Gramling, Doug Smith; Middle: Lucy Hammonds, Helena Chiam, Crystal Holston, Gemile Stephens, Frit Landford, Syntia Jackson, Andrea Myrall, Candice Gooch; Back: Cynthia McLean, Jessie Carter, Ed Witter, Janylline Young, LinCreda Ellis, September Neal, Geomonic McInnis, Larry Kimmell, Kristy Hamley, Travis Hish, Tim Church, Harry Single, Amanda Williams, Preston Swiney

FAITHFUL

Organizations such as the Biblical Revelations About Vital Essential Standards (BRAVES) group or the Baptist Student Union enabled students to “keep the faith” that they could succeed and that there were others who shared the same philosophy.

BSU members volunteered their services at a variety of functions. They were best known for participation in the Habitat for Humanity housing development project where volunteers helped to build accommodations for the less fortunate. The BSU House provided housing for UNCP students who needed a place to stay. It was also known for the Commuter Lunch, served every other Wednesday. Any time prayer was needed or a hot meal was craved, the BSU would serve you, and all they asked for in return was a helping hand and respect for all.

The BRAVES served their community by volunteering at the Odom Home. They also held weekly Bible study sessions with members and anyone else who was interested. What defined this organization could be found in the Bible by turning to the verses of Corinthians 13:13 and Philippians 4:13.



Baptist Student Union members gather together for Christmas fellowship.





Louren Ames and BSU campus minister Ron Sanders get pies in the face during a fund raising event, the BSU women's cleanup team—Beth Nichols, Nikki Trimble, Lauren Ames, LaCinda Ellisan, Barbara Jacobson, Gen LeBeau, Jeshanna Ayala, and Senel Vurgun—do flood relief work in Grifton, NC, during Fall Break.



BRAVES—Front: Uche McClennahan-Treasurer, Monica Frink; Middle: Michelle Shaw, Mike Fair, Carlton Durden, Jonnie Mercer, Natasha C. Wilson-Public Relations; Back: Tim Sanders, Jason Gibson-Public Relations, Ian Siler-Vice President, John Walker-President.

DSO members ride their float in the Homecoming parade, CASW members talk before class; NORML decks its car with balloons to ride in the parade



Campus Association of Social Workers—Front: Amy Woodell, Jennifer Duncan, Melissa Abalos; Back: Debbie Branch-Advisor, Horace Hammonds, Cook Mack, Carlene Relfing, Natasha Gore, Janet Dove, Haywood Oliver, Khaleelah Gantt



Disabled Students Organization—Front: Mitchell Carter, Monique Pettin-Figgins, Leika Mayer-Treasurer, Lenora Parker-President, Donald Winwood; Back: Misty Sykes-DISS Staff, Daniel Young-Secretary



VARIETY

Career preparation was the focus of several campus organizations. The Campus Association of Social Workers (CASW) participated in a number of service activities, such as a baby clothes and toy drive and a blood drive. CASW also organized symposiums and brought guest speakers to campus. Other professional organizations included the Criminal Justice Club, which focused on the professional legal fields such as law enforcement, and Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE), which prepared its members for careers in business. Academics also provided the focus for a number of organizations, including the Math Club.

Among the new organizations on campus this year were the Disabled Students Organization (DSO) and the UNCP chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML). Both of these organizations showed their school spirit by sponsoring floats in the Homecoming parade. NORML members also participated in a roadside cleanup at Lumber River State Park; their officers were President LeAnna Quick, Vice President Carrie Anne Carpenter, Secretary Ramsey Arram, Public Relations Coordinator Vanessa Jones, and Events/Fundraising Coordinator Johnie Young.



Math Club—Heather Jaques (Vice President), Eric Cuffe (President), Terry Autry (Treasurer)



NORML/UNCP Executive Board—LeAnna Quick (President), Candybliss (most active member), Carrie Anne Carpenter (Vice President), Ramsey Arram (Secretary)

HERITAGE

A number of organizations on campus celebrated our cultural diversity. The African American Student Organization (AASO) did community work. During the month of February they had their annual AASO Week, also hosting events like Black Issue Forums. For Martin Luther King's birthday, AASO hosted a candlelight vigil and a ceremony in the University Center. AASO also sponsored a Gospel Choir which gave holiday concerts and sang at various events, including Pembroke Day and the Call to Worship and Apollo Night during AASO Week. The choir planned to participate in the National Collegiate Music Conference at which they would be part of a live recording. The Gospel Choir's officers were Ian Siler (Director) and LaCinda Ellison (Secretary).

The International Student Organization (ISO) was growing this year as larger numbers of foreign students enrolled at UNCP. The group participated in Pembroke Day, the Homecoming parade, and A Taste of Culture. This year's officers were President Natasha Wilson, Vice President Mimi Gedlu, and Secretary Camesha Lightbourne.

The Latin American Student Organization (LASO) also participated in many campus events and sponsored *La Noche Latina* (Latin Night) in the University Center. Members also collected and wrapped toys and other gifts for local families at Christmas. At the end of the year, LASO said *adios* to their founding faculty advisor, Dr. Cristina Francescon.

The Native American Student Organization (NASO) sponsored the annual Indian Heritage Week events, including an on-campus pow wow attended by many students, faculty, and members of the local community.



African American Student Organization—Front: George Cortes, Akisha Dixon, Pilar Joyner, Uche McClennahan; Back: Sijoris Wrighten, Tamika Wakeel, Alphonzo Thomas, Ian Siler, Shokeeta Spears, LaCinda Ellison, Leticia Hymon



International Student Organization—Front: Sosna (Mimi) Gedlu; Middle: Naushad Karmali, Thomas Lindl, Julia Maathay, Jether James, Lesya Ikalyuk, Guanglin Dai, Natasha C. Wilson, Comesah Lightbourne; Back: Zhengzheng Wu, Arthur Mellors, Trand Myland, Rafael Parr Roman, Graeme Little



ASO member Alasha Dixon sings during an event at the BSU House; LASO members ride their float in the Homecoming parade; dancers in Native American regalia participate in the NASO Pow Wow.



Latin American Student Organization—Front: Andrea Miyagi-President, Rosal Rafael-Secretary, Sora Vargun; Middle: Manuel Medina-Treasurer, Rachel Serrano, Jeshannah Ayala, Kurt Summers, Jason English; Back: Chayanne Soles, Omar Alices-Vice President, Raul Santiago, also Rosilla, Jovan Jackson



Native American Student Organization—Front: Sarah Simmons, Bobby Hurt; Middle: Brittany Simmons, Jennifer Graham; Back: Dr. Knick, Brandon Locklear, Kin Carter; Not pictured: Miranda Locklear, April Chendine, Kameron Richardson, Jeremy Adams, Shawn Fledge.

Kristi Gleffe reads one of her works at the ΣΤΔ Halloween poetry reading; AX member Beth Nichols reviews a proposal at an SGA meeting.



Alpha Chi members get together for the organization's annual induction ceremony.



Beta Beta Beta—Tamim Alsaedi, Diana Galloway, Melissa Hewitt, Jena Bumb, Lori Edwards, Jason Lowry, Stephanie Burnie, Lenita Hammonds, Tracy Armstrong, Amanda Knowles, Candy Juents, Susan Severson, Rebecca Rice, David Cullins, Melissa Henry, Charlene Locklear, Cameron Lynystreet, Laura Bowers, Michelle Gaudet



HONORARY

Once students reached a certain level of academic excellence, admittance into an honor society became possible. Honor societies provided students with recognition for their hard work and dedication in and outside of the classroom. Alpha Chi (AX) was a national honor society open to students in all majors, comprised of the top five percent of the senior class and the top ten percent of the junior class. A new honor society at UNCP this year was Beta Beta Beta, also known as Tri-Beta, a national honor society for students interested in biology. Students were inducted into UNCP's new chapter at a ceremony on October 23 in the Chancellor's Dining Room. Members are required to have a minimum GPA 3.0 and at least 3 upper-level biology classes with a grade of B or better.

Psi Chi (Ψ X) was an honor society that inducted psychology majors and minors and students with a concentration in psychology. Ψ X consisted of those students who had retained a GPA of 3.0 and were in the top of their classes. This year's officers included President Hillary Griffin and Treasurer Autumn Autry. Members of Sigma Tau Delta (Σ T Δ), the national English honors society, applied their passion for English by encouraging children to read. They also sponsored a Halloween poetry reading in the fall and a Valentine's Day poetry reading in the spring. Σ T Δ officers included President Kristi Gleffe.



Psi Chi—Front: Stacey Skelton, Dr. Elizabeth Henry, Jacqueline Sampson, Charlene Collicutt, Angel Cartwright, April Folk; Middle: Dr. William Collier, Paula Skowronski, Dr. Kelly Charleston, Hillary Griffin, Jessica Kirkpatrick, Maelye Crandall, Lindsay Johnson, Lisa Wright; Back: Dr. Wright Killian, Donald Gustin, Autumn Autry



Sigma Tau Delta—Sigma Tau Delta—Front: Austin Tremblay, Jonny Teague, Amy R. Winsor; Back: Jesse Peters, Lindsay Sprangler, Kristi Gleffe, Matthew Monahan

PERFORMANCE

Music and theatre often go hand in hand, even more so now that UNCP has a new program in Musical Theatre. The university offered a number of organizations students could join if they wished to perform on stage, entertaining and sometimes inspiring their audiences.

Alpha Psi Omega (ΑΨΩ) was the national honorary organization for theatre students. Members of ΑΨΩ could be found participating in the various University Players productions in the GPAC.

Students in all majors who wanted to use their musical talents could join the Concert Band or the Concert Choir. These groups performed at major university events, such as Pembroke Day and graduation, and they also gave annual concerts.

Music majors could join either Phi Mu Alpha (ΦΜΑ) Sinfonia, for men, or Phi Mu Sigma (ΦΜΣ), for women. Members of these organizations played in the Pep Band that provided music at UNCP athletic events.

The members of the University Players worked on several productions that showcased in the GPAC. Their Fall 2002 performance of *The Marriage of Bette and Boo* really perked up the audience. The group also worked this past year on expanding their program by recruiting new members.



Alpha Psi Omega—Amanda Goldman, Dr. Chet Jurkan, Jennifer Allen, Holden Hansen, Sarah Dalton, Garry Tremblay



Concert Choir members perform the national anthem at the Fall Convocation.



Amanda Goldman, as Margaret, performs a scene from *The Marriage of Bette and Boo*; she and the rest of the cast and crew pose on the GPAC stage during a rehearsal break; the Concert Choir entertains the crowd at Pembroke Day



Pep Band—Front: Syreeta Jackson, Stacy McGiskill, Amber Strick, Carlos Tyson; Middle: Jeremy Howell, Lim Stanley, Abigail Portin, Matt Hall, Melissa Moore; Back: Chris Pittman, Kameron Stuten, Jay McNeugold, Tim Parsons, Chase Dimery



University Players—Amanda Goldman, Lt. Chet Jordan, Jennifer Allen, Hildan Hansen, Sarah Dalton, Gary Tremblay, Gwynne Johnson, Ralphy Jackson

Kameron Richardson crops photos on a layout for the yearbook; Pine Needle editor Nathan Walls works at the computer; WNCP-TV staff members are about to get back to work in the control room.



The Aurochs—Front: Jenny Tengue, Austin Tremblay; Back: Lindsay Sprunk, Kristi Gleffe, Karen Helgeson, Matthew Manahan; Not Pictured: Eddie Rochester



Indianhead—Front: Sara Oswald, Melissa Bebb, Andrea Patawaron Hickman, Candice Gonch, Mason Watts; Middle: Kameron Richardson, Adam Diaz, Erin Berry, Veronica Emmanuel, Amy Woodell, Toni Sheriff, Latisha Sullivan; Back: Caroline Norton, Nathan Graham, Kevin Whitaker, Melissa Moore



VOICES

The media organizations at UNCP provided resources for students who had something to say. *The Aurochs* literary magazine provided "a new voice speaking for UNCP students; a new forum for discussing your loves, your hatreds, your fears; and a new venue for displaying your talents," according to 2001 Co-Editor Steve Byrd. The magazine's second issue, edited by Angela Heck, featured poems and art by over 20 students. Advisor Dr. Karen Helgeson and 2003 Editor Kristi Gleffe worked this year to publicize the magazine and gather submissions for the third issue at the end of Spring 2003.

The *Indianhead* yearbook you are reading was created by a staff of hardworking students and a dedicated advisor. Photographers could be found at a variety of activities across campus. Editors reviewed the work of the yearbook class and often times joined in to do the work themselves. Many days and nights went into the yearbook, so we hope you enjoy it.

The Pine Needle, the student newspaper published every two weeks, continued to improve in format and content this year under the leadership of Editor Nathan Walls, new faculty advisor Dr. Judy Curtis, and a staff of new and experienced reporters and editors.

WNCP-TV, our student-run television station, covered current events on campus and in the surrounding areas. The television studio located in Old Main churned out a live weekly news show, *Carolina News Today*. New students on the staff this year were joined by a new Broadcasting instructor, Mike DeCinti.



The Pine Needle — Front: Elizabeth Zoller, Corina Hurdue, Wendy Darwin, Jennifer Howell; Back: Nathan Walls, Michael Zimmerman, Jason Watts, Advisor Dr. Judy Curtis, Bryan Carter, John Jones, Kristy Hendley, Karen Hayes



WNCP-TV — Front: Sherry Sides, Tyler Collins, Jackie Colonel, Josh Baker, Lindsay Pugh; Middle: George Johnson, Jamie Connerton, Julie Robbins, April Massengill, Dr. Jamie Litt, Star Gillie, Sarah Sezak, Marybeth Brayboy, David Kerrodle; Back: Stephen Roberts, Monte Hailley, Maurice Jones, Chris Roberts, Jimmy McQuage

ALL ALPHA

The Alpha organizations were at it again this year, working very hard on various social, educational, and philanthropic activities. Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA), Alpha Phi Alpha (ΑΦΑ), and Alpha Pi Omega (ΑΠΩ) not only reflected the student body's diversity but also its dedication to service to the community.

The sisters of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. sponsored Think Pink Week on Sept. 15-20, 2002; events during the week included a Black Issues Forum, an Arts and Crafts Night, and a forum on women's health issues. AKA's service activities this year were a coat drive and a soup kitchen. Officers for 2002-3 were President Demetrice McMillan, Vice President Lenita Hammonds, Secretary Jonelle Carty, and Treasurer Jessica Days.

Alpha Phi Alpha brothers participated in various social and community service activities throughout the year. Past years' activities included the Homecoming step show, Roadside cleanup, Pan Hellenic showcase, and a canned food drive in conjunction with other Greek organizations.

The sisters of Alpha Pi Omega took on every project with enthusiasm and good will. These sisters were extremely active in activities that assisted their community and culture. Past years' activities included Pow-wows, school fundraiser dances, clothing drives, and Earth Day as well as a roadside cleanup.



AKA

ΑΦΑ

ΑΠΩ



Alpha Kappa Alpha—Quiana Robinson, Annette Johnson, Jonell Carty, Demetrice McMillan, Lenita Hammonds



Members of APhi Alpha participate in Pembroke Day; APhi Alpha members pose at their table on Pembroke Day; Dedra Chavis of AKA enjoys a cold drink.



Alpha Phi Alpha — David Niles, Mike Wood Jr., Maurice Copke, Lee Elliott, Jerome Thomas, Quincy Wade



Alpha Phi Omega sisters display unity at the NASD's www.

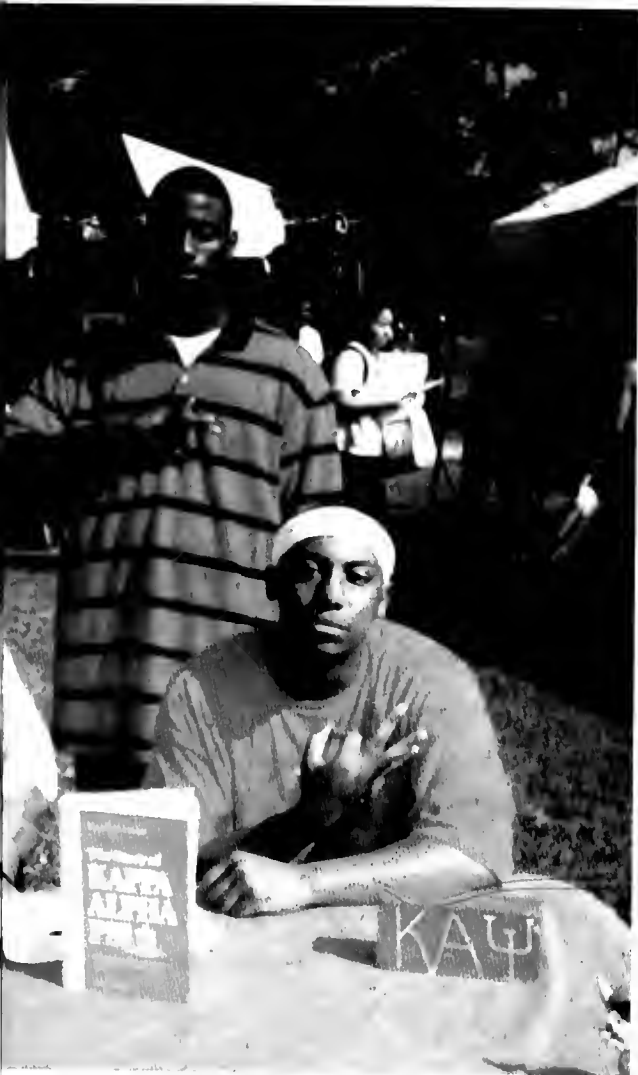
KΑΨ members greet visitors at their table on Pembroke Day; the ladies of ΛΘΑ get together at the Christmas Semi-Formal.



Kappa Alpha Psi—Front: Steve Epps, Jay Holder; Middle: Shontario Stephen, Maurice Johnson, Aaron Gunning, Jerome Benjamin; Back: Brian Jones



Lambda Theta Alpha—Front: Misty Fernandez, Tatiana Reales, Jerushannah Ayala, Rachel Serrano; Back: Rosal Rafael, Jaclyn Flores, Genevieve Lebeau, Sosna Gedlu, Andrei Miyaji, Senel Virguin



FRIENDSHIP

Lifetime friendships that will never be broken were a great way to describe being a part of a fraternity or sorority. Some of the fraternities that exemplified this were Kappa Alpha Psi (ΚΑΨ) Fraternity, Inc., the Interested Ladies of Lambda Theta Alpha (ΛΘΑ), and Phi Beta Sigma (ΦΒΣ) Fraternity, Inc. These organizations contributed to and enriched campus life at UNCP.

The members of Kappa Alpha Psi participated in many different events and community services; past years' activities have included Kappa Week, a Kappa Kookout, Kappa Kounseling, a Kappa Kool Clothing Drive, and Kappa Kooperation.

New on campus this year, the Interested Ladies of Lambda Theta Alpha were working to establish a chapter of the national Latina sorority at UNCP. The ladies sponsored an event during the Fall semester featuring Latin music, dancing, and other activities to raise awareness of Hispanic culture.

The brothers of Phi Beta Sigma have been very busy this year participating in many activities; in past years, these have included a spades tournament, canned food drive, and the Pan Hellenic showcase.



Phi Beta Sigma—Marquies Gracilin, Glorita McMillin, Joseph Orendine

ΚΑΨ

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GREEK LIFE

Brotherhood and sisterhood were what it was all about. Greek life at UNCP was about coming together as friends and participating in and contributing to activities, whether they be cultural or educational. Phi Kappa Tau, Phi Sigma Nu, and Pi Lambda Upsilon were always ready for an opportunity to assist.

The members of Phi Kappa Tau (ΦKT) fraternity, whose motto was "Greek by choice, Phi Tau by God," participated in Pembroke Day and other activities throughout the year.

The brothers of Phi Sigma Nu (ΦSN) have been very busy with a wide variety of events over the year. They participated in the Fall Pow-Wow and numerous community services and fundraisers.

Pi Lambda Upsilon (PLAY) co-ed fraternity's mission was brotherhood and sisterhood, a tight knit family to show kids that there are people to look up to, be good role models, and show that getting an education is important.



ΦKT

ΦSN

PLAY



Phi Kappa Tau—Front: Richard Benner, John DeWar, Khoa Dinh, Mick Correll, Josh Hallman; Back: Jesse DuParc, Ben Deese, David Bishop, John Flaherty, Roberto Minter, John Perkins



Members of IAY group together on Pembroke Day; $\Phi\Sigma\Nu$ visits with Santa Claus at the campus Christmas party; $\Phi\chi\tau$ show off their trophies and their dog on Pembroke Day.



$\Phi\chi\sigma\mu\alpha$ Nu members, including Cecil Locklear, Joshua Leese, Grey Hunt, and Jamie Locklear, get together in the UC.



Pi Lambda Upsilon—Front: Rachel Lyndon, Kirsten Robb, Courtney Walters, Kim Klein, Natalie McDonald, Cheyenne Hazlitt, Dana Faircloth, Greg Jackson; Back: Riley Secrist, John Smith, Nick Dally, Yusuf Khaleel, Matt Greene, Casey Long, Brian Lindsay, Brandon Hall, Steve Johnson

Members of $\Theta\chi$ ride in the back of a truck for Homecoming parade, $\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma$ come together for Pembroke Day, $\Theta\Xi$ work together on Pembroke Day



Sigma Sigma Sigma—Front: Corinne Rhyback, Ashley Crile, Lauren Newsome, Abby Sessions, Candice Horner; Back: Stephanie Antikak, Meredith Anderson, Lauren Bell, Noeline Hoffman, Candi Glick, Katherine Greer, Leah Knowles, Wendy Hayek



Theta Kappa—Front: Jessica Arredondo, Jessica Carter; Back: Simonee Gonzalez, Carrie Nelson, April Harper, Adrienne Evans, Meghan Miller, Francine Powers, Luciana Hammann, Annette Hagans



ACTIVE

From "backwards" beauty pageants to more traditional fund-raising events, the sisters of Sigma Sigma Sigma and Theta Kappa and the brothers of Theta Xi participated in a wide range of activities this past year.

The Tri-Sigmas ($\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma$) sponsored their annual Miss Backwards Pageant on October 7, and the proceeds were donated to the Robbie Page Memorial Foundation, their philanthropy project, which conducted play therapy for terminally-ill children. Other activities included Christmas Dinner with their alumna, a formal Cotillion, and a visit to the Robbie Page Memorial Wing at UNC Hospital in Chapel Hill. Sigma Sigma Sigma's officers were President Leah Knowles, Vice President Candice Horner, Secretary Lauren Bell, Treasurer Eryn Sanderson, Recruitment Officer Beth Jacobs, and Education Officer Lorie Barbea.

The sisters of Theta Kappa (ΘK) also participated in a variety of activities through the year, including roadside cleanup and sponsoring a float in the Homecoming parade.

The brothers of Theta Xi (ΘX), along with other organizations, felt community service was very important, and they assisted in such throughout the year. Activities ranged from participating in a Lumberton Haunted House to raise money for juvenile services and volunteering at the Boy's and Girl's Club to roadside cleanup.



Theta Xi brothers, including Mike Jimenez and Danny Esposito, get together for their group picture in the University Center.

$\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma$

ΘK

ΘX

SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood and service were important to the women of the Zeta organizations at UNCP. Zeta Phi Beta (ZΦB) Sorority, Inc. sponsored Zeta Week on September 23-29, 2002, and Finer Womanhood Week in 2003. They also made hospital visits and participated in highway cleanup, a canned food drive, and a clothing drive. Officers were President and Parliamentarian Tia Moore, Vice President Kirsten Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer Marquita Lilly, and Historian Moshica Wallace.

Zeta Tau Alpha (ZTA) sponsored group events such as the annual Founder's Day. Their community service activities in past years have included distribution of Easter baskets and Halloween treats to children along with visits to an area rest home.



ZΦB

ZTA



Zeta Phi Beta—Tia Moore, Kirsten Johnson, Moshica Wallace, Marquita Lilly



Sisters of ZΦB come together in remembrance of 9-11, ZTA get together at their table at Pembroke Day and on the back of a truck for the Homecoming parade.



Zeta Phi Beta/Zeta Tau Alpha — Front: Kaleena Sampson, Jennifer Robinson, Ruth Donnelly, Maya P. Williams, Jessica Cummings, Kresia Cummings, Lala Barajas, Jackie Colone, Courtney Beezley, Jessica Furkough, Cassie Siegel, Jackie Williams, Gylis Brooks, Back: Anna Lums, Ashley Bennett, Morgan Hunt, Freedom Howard, Crystal Allen, Blake Williams, S. Joy Clayton, Eileen Flynn, Ginny Bridgers, Eve Batten, Kristy Williams

Sports



America's favorite pastime hard at work—This player gets into the swing of things as he tries to advance the Braves to another baseball win.



*A*nother year of athletics brought many people together at UNCP. Whether playing on the field, or cheering from the sidelines, sports was a popular getaway from the everyday academics.

The fall brought people out to the new soccer field to watch the men's and women's soccer teams. Spectators went and supported the cross country team. On the inside, a congregation of people was captivated by the women's volleyball team. With the colder weather on the way, athletes and their fans headed inside to the gym for wrestling, men's basketball, and women's basketball.

After the frost had gone and it warmed back up, people headed back outside for some fresh air. Bleachers were a popular thing for the baseball and softball fans. With the new track and field complex being complete, people were eager to go out and support the men's and women's track teams. The fence around the tennis courts didn't prevent viewers from "loving" the game. Supporters of the golf team got their share of exercise making their way around the course cheering on the golfers.

This UNCP golfer putts toward the hole.

2002 Track & Field

Feb. 2	Gamecock Invitational Columbia, SC
Feb. 9	Intra-Squad (Black/Gold) Pembroke, NC
Mar. 2	Coastal Carolina Opener Conway, SC
Mar. 8-9	UNCW Seahawk Invitational Wilmington, NC
Mar. 15-6	UNCC 49ers Classic Charlotte, NC
Mar. 22-3	Weems Baskin Sprint Relays Columbia, SC
Mar. 29-30	Raleigh Relays Raleigh, NC
Apr. 5-6	Duke Invitational Durham, NC
Apr. 12-3	Lynchburg College Classic Lynchburg, VA
Apr. 20	Carolinas Championship Fayetteville, NC
Apr. 25-7	Penn Relays Philadelphia, PA
Apr. 27	Christopher Newport Invit. Newport News, VA
May 4	University of Georgia Invit. Atlanta, GA
May 11	UNC-CH Last Chance Chapel Hill, NC

2001-2 Golf

Fall 2001

Sept. 9-11	Patton Intercollegiate
Sept. 18-19	Pfeiffer Invitational
Oct. 7-9	Presbyterian
Oct. 15-16	Coker Invitational
Oct. 26-28	Pfeiffer Invitational

Spring 2002

Mar. 4-5	Rendleman
Mar. 18-19	Lacey Gane
Mar. 25-26	Bobcat Invitational
Apr. 13-14	UNCP Invitational
Apr. 22-23	Peach Belt Championship
May 6-8	NCAA Southeast Regional



TeShayla Horne and Vaneka Campbell stride towards the finish line.



2002 Women's Track and Field—Front: Susan Bowen, Nydia Caldwell, Vaneka Campbell, Laronda Cross; Middle: Amanda DeGarmo, Brittina Griffin, TeShayla Horne, Kim Leach, Jessica McArdell; Back: Natalie Niesborella, Chika Okonkwo, Quiana Robinson, Anquonette Stiles

Going the Distance

Men's and women's track and field showed that they were truly talented athletes in the 2002 season. Since UNCP's track and field teams do not have a conference to compete in, Head Coach Larry Rodgers did not think twice about sending his athletes into races hosted by and featuring the best Division One runners in the United States, including Duke, N.C. State, Coastal Carolina, UNC Charlotte, UNC Wilmington, and the University of South Carolina. Out of the nine invitational UNCP attended, the men's team brought back eleven first places, and 13 out of the 17 athletes added personal best times to their records. The ladies brought back 8 first-place finishes and set five school records for their events.

Senior Anquonette Stiles contributed to four of those records while missing out on qualifying for nationals for the 400m IH by only 1.5 seconds.

Entering into the 2003 season, Coach Rodgers and his teams finally have the facilities to truly explode. With the new track, the team will be even more prepared. There will no practicing in the parking lot, decreasing injuries. Fan support will grow as parents come and watch their children reach their max potential. The 2003 team will also be larger than in previous years, giving the Coach Rodgers "quality in quantity," as he put it.

Highlights for the Golf team were a 4th-place finish in the Coker Invitational in Fall 2001 and a first place in the Lacey Gane in Spring 2002.

David Mead uses his concentration to finish the steeplechase.



2002 Golf—Front: Greg Dobbins, Rex Willoughby, John Warren, Matt Dye, Robert McKinney, Eric Bennett; Back: Brian Smith (graduate assistant), Clint Lanier, Sam Natti, John Martin (graduate assistant).



2002 Men's Track and Field—Front: Carver Campbell, Darius Chambers, Curtis Cheeks, Jason Connors, Nick Cowell; Back: Chris Harris, Wendell Davis, David Mead, Clarence Ely, Jeff Moody, John Flaherty, Ricardo Silva, Marques Goodwin, Sean Williams, Michael Haislip, Nate Woodward, Phillip Harley

On the Ball

The 2002 Women's Tennis Team had an overall good season in the spring. They won their final two matches of the season in the Peachbelt Conference in Florida. The Lady Braves finished their season with the most wins ever for the women's tennis program and the first winning season for Head Coach Robin Langley in her three years at UNC Pembroke. Coach Langley had this to say: "I am really proud of these girls for their playing as well as for their sportsmanship. This is a great way to end the season."

The 2002 Softball team had a disappointing season, winning only one of their Peach Belt Conference games on their way to an overall record of 11-35-1. For 2003, the Lady Braves have a new softball coach, Steve Johnson. "I am really excited about this opportunity. The university is providing a lot of resources for this program, and the players are hungry and want to work hard to win," said Johnson.

Naomi Ellis (below) sends the ball back over the net.



2002 Tennis

UNCP		Opp.
7	Barton	2
2	Kennesaw State	7
9	Johnson C. Smith	0
1	Georgia College	8
3	Columbus	6
8	Winona	1
9	Newberry	0
3	Duquesne	6
6	Tusculum	3
0	Armstrong Atlantic	9
4	Francis Marion	5
5	USC-Aiken	4
5	Wingate	4
1	North Florida	8
9	Shippensburg	0
8	Mt. Olive	1
7	Augusta	2
5	Catawba	4
9	NC Central	0
3	USC Spartanburg	6
0	Clayton College	9
3	UNC Wilmington	4
1	USC Spartanburg	5
5	Augusta	1
5	Francis Marion	4



2002 Tennis—Front: Naomi Ellis, Abi French, Fawn O'Leary, Christine Orban; Back: Coach Robin Langley, Andre Vukcevic, Shannon Gentry, Jessica McArdell, Melissa Lee

Fawn O'Leary (left) backhands the ball during a match.

Pitcher Summer Eudy (below) gets ready to deliver a pitch to the plate.



2002 Softball

UNCP		Opp.	UNC P		Opp.
0	Coker	1	2	Francis Marion	3
2	Coker	3	5	Francis Marion	8
1	Barton	4	2	Presbyterian College	4
8	Barton	4	5	Presbyterian College	7
6	St. Andrews	4	3	USC-Spartanburg	16
9	St. Andrews	0			
4	Winston-Salem	1	0	USC-Spartanburg	20
6	Winston-Salem	6	2	USC-Aiken	10
0	Tusculum	8			
5	Tusculum	4	5	USC-Aiken	6
1	Newberry	0	3	Mars Hill	8
2	Newberry	3	4	Mars Hill	3
3	Lake Superior	5	0	Erskine	2
2	Kennesaw	5	2	Erskine	0
0	Kennesaw	8	1	Georgia College	6
2	Columbus	0	1	Georgia College	5
2	Columbus	16	0	North Florida	13
1	Lake Superior	9	3	North Florida	5
9	Lake Superior	0	1	Mt. Olive	9
0	Wingate	8	4	Mt. Olive	2
0	Wingate	10	1	Augusta	5
0	Armstrong Atlantic	9	2	Augusta	10
0	Armstrong Atlantic	4	2	Columbus	4
0	Lander	9	0	Francis Marion	4
1	Lander	9			



2002 Softball—Front: Jami Rhins, Michelle Lenberger, Andrea Miyagi, Emily Williams, Jennifer Treacle, Stacey Bumgarner, Cassie Hinson, Khrystal Holder; Middle: Nicole Fields, Gerri Muljan, Cassie Siegf, Summer Eudy, Amanda Morrow, Stephanie Cash, Misty McMurray, Lauren Jernigan; Back: Cheryl Mastalerz, Brandi Cutler, Dana Evans, Sonya Clayton, Rhesa Grady, Katie McGowen, Traci Mulligan, Jessica Furlough

2002 Baseball

UNCP		Opp.	UNCP		Opp.
14	St. Augustine's	1	3	Lander	2
17	St. Augustine's	1	5	Lander	2
4	Belmont Abbey	5	5	Lander	7
13	Barton	2	3	North Florida	6
10	USC-Spartanburg	4	7	North Florida	9
7	USC-Spartanburg	3	4	North Florida	14
1	USC-Spartanburg	5	4	Francis Marion	8
7	Catawba	6	7	Francis Marion	5
4	Armstrong Atlantic	13	5	Francis Marion	13
0	Armstrong Atlantic	10	8	Pfeiffer	8
7	Armstrong Atlantic	8	1	Georgia College	20
10	Shaw	2	0	Georgia College	1
8	Shaw	1	12	Georgia College	8
4	Wingate	13	4	Belmont Abbey	18
7	Columbus State	5	4	Wingate	6
3	Columbus State	2	2	Kennesaw State	6
4	Columbus State	5	1	Kennesaw State	8
6	Coker	3	5	Kennesaw State	7
8	Augusta	10	8	Barton	19
1	Augusta	2	7	Mt. Olive	11
0	Augusta	9	14	St. Augustine's	4
17	Virginia State	3	10	Mt. Olive	4
15	Virginia State	2	3	USC-Aiken	10
13	Longwood	8	4	USC-Aiken	16
8	E. Stroudsburg	5	6	USC-Aiken	2
5	E. Stroudsburg	6	7	St. Andrews	6
9	E. Stroudsburg	5	15	St. Andrews	12
6	Coker	9			



Andy Jewell (above) has to get down in the dirt

Eddie Criss (right) takes a big swing.



It's Outta Here

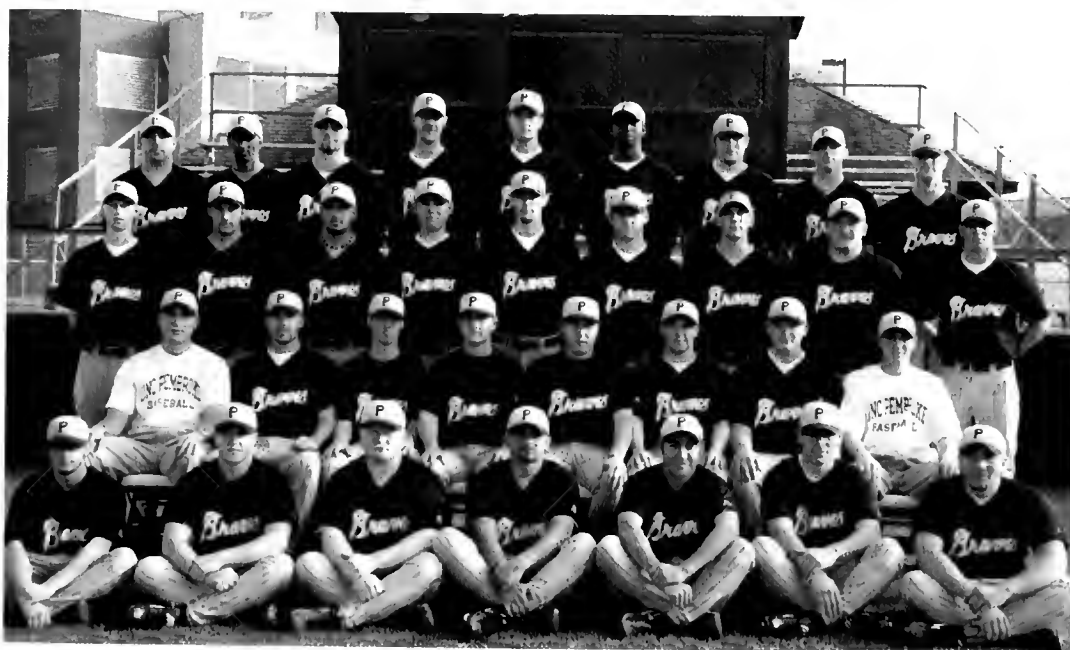
The Braves had a respectable 2002 baseball season with a record of 25-29-1 in a conference that is all but easy. Early on in the season, the Braves swept a double header against conference rival Lander University. In game one, David Theisen, a junior, had nine strikeouts and gave up only four hits. Sandy Jacobs, a freshman from Pembroke, controlled game two. He threw a complete game and had five strikeouts and no earned runs. Also in that game, Andy Jewell had a three-run home run.

Later on in the season, the Braves split a double header with the Francis Marion Patriots. The Braves won game one 7-5. Anthony Aceves had a 3-run homer which gave the Braves the lead in the third. The other four runs came off of a 2-RBI single by the catcher, Lance LeStourgen, and a 2-run home run from second baseman Trevor Hamaker. Pitcher David Theisen gave the Braves support from the mound. He struck out eight in seven innings and picked up his third win of the season.

Could there be a better way to end the season? The Braves won their last three games, one against nationally ranked #19 USC Aiken, and the others in a two-game series against St. Andrews. On Senior Day, Trevor Hamaker went three-of-five with a home run. Senior Jason Carver had a solo home run in his first at bat, and Hamaker followed in his footsteps with a solo shot of his own. The first game against St. Andrews ended with a score of 7-6. In the second game, St. Andrews was leading 10-4 in the sixth. The Braves showed them what they were made of and with two three-run homers by Josh Robinson—in his final game at UNCP—and Trevor Hamaker. Seniors Jason Carver and Josh Robinson both went three-of-five from the plate. From

Sandy Jacobs (left) delivers a pitch.

the mound, senior pitcher Jason Niles picked up the win to finish his season at 6-1.



2002 Baseball—Front: Russell Scott, Tom Sawyer, Lance LeStourgen, Daniel McNeil, Eddie Criss, Ryan Schulz, John Ammons; Second: Jeff Petty, Casey Sears, Jason Carver, Head Coach Paul O'Neil, Asst. Coach Ray Hedrick, Trevor Hamaker, Jared Speight, Student Manager Scott Graniero; Third: Bryon O'Neal, Jared Gainey, Anthony Aceves, Andy Jewell, Josh Benton, Jake Fiedler, Nick Hoffman, Matt Scott, Ryan Young; Back: Jason Niles, Sandy Jacobs, Adam Beaver, Eric Stewart, Drew Paul, David Thiesen, Slayden King, Adam Friede, Josh Robinson

Going for the Goal

The Men's Soccer team finished their season with an overall record of 8-10 and a conference record of 1-5. A highlight came on Senior Day, when the Braves defeated the Lions of Mars Hill College 2-1. With 12 shots on goal, UNCP's two points were scored by sophomore Chris Pulliam and senior Rafael Parra Roman.

The Braves had two players who received honorable mentions this season for their outstanding performance on the field. Junior Goal Keeper Alex Hall was named to the Peach Belt All-Conference Team. Hall started in all of the 16 games and recorded 104 saves. Senior Mid-Fielder Brian Young was named to the 2002 Verizon Academic All-District III College Division Men's Soccer First Team.



2002 Men's Soccer

UNCP		Opp.
5	Mt. Olive	0
1	North Florida	2
0	Lander	2
1	Lenoir-Rhyne	0
5	Newberry	0
2	Barton	0
1	Longwood	2
1	Catawba	3
0	USC-Spartanburg	5
3	USC-Aiken	2
3	St. Andrews	1
1	Francis Marion	3
0	Methodist	2
2	Pfeiffer	1
0	Clayton State	2
1	Wingate	6
2	Mars Hill	1
0	USC-Spartanburg	6



Sophomore Avery Croteau positions himself to pass.



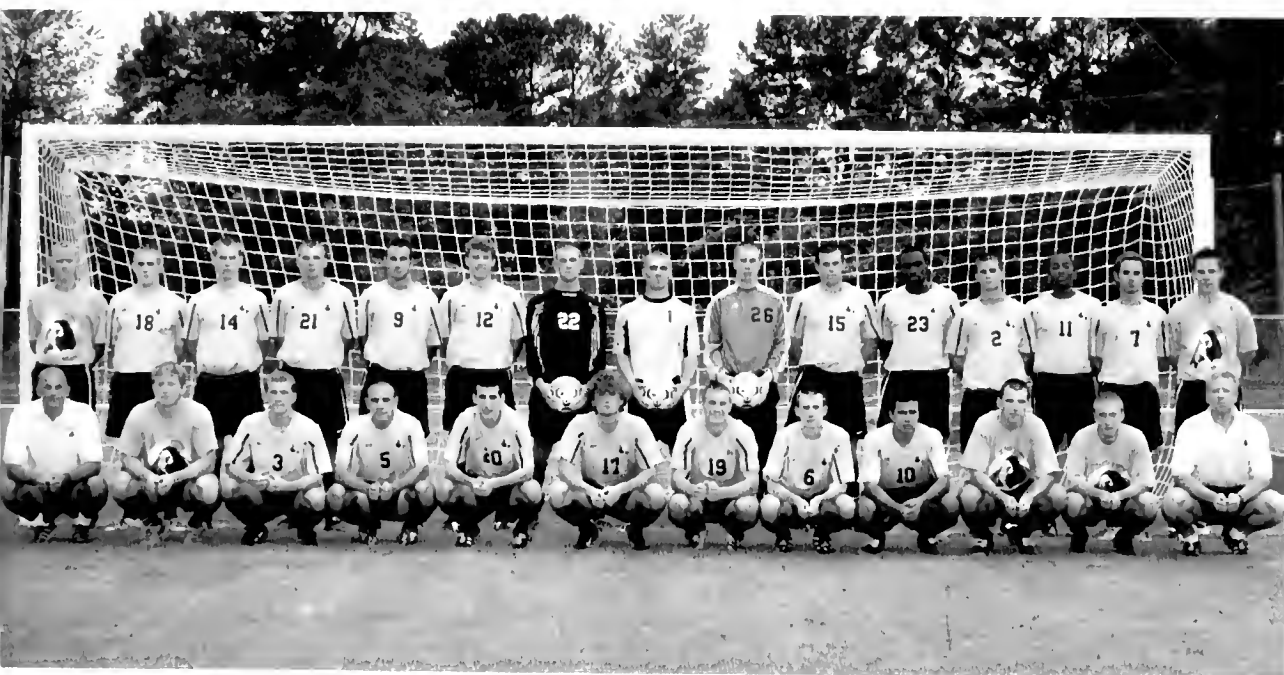
Senior Pete Peranzo takes control and breaks away.



Freshman Marvin Andrade chases down the ball from his opponent.



Sophomore Thomas Lindal moves in to block a pass.

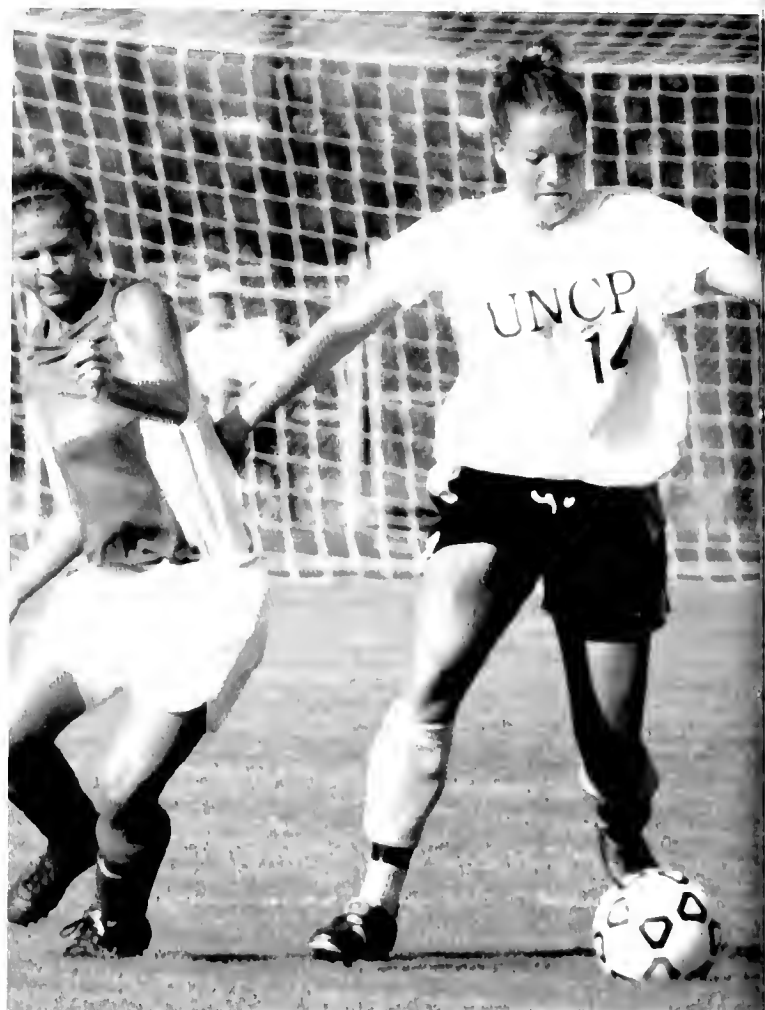


2002 Men's Soccer—Front: Coach Michael Schaeffer, Chris Carson, Brian Young, Yousef Khader, Pete Peranzo, Avery Croteau, John Cooper, Evan Daleeby, Thomas Lindal, Matt McDonald, Jeff Selovor, Coach Eric Alsop; Back: Trond Myrland, Arthur Mellors, Paul Hicks, Chad Carlile, Dustin Shores, Joe Warena, Tom Martin, Alex Hall, Eric Clark, Nic Henderson, Chris Pulliam, Mike Zindros, Marvin Andrade, Rafael Parra Roman, Graeme Little.

Sophomore Crystal Lanoza kicks the ball into play



Junior Jessica McArdele cuts in front of an opponent at the net



2002 Women's Soccer —Front: Sara Daanachew, Amy Benson, Dana Henderson, Crystal Lanoza, Jackie Starche, Shelly Musso, Simonae Taylor, Amanda Morrow. Back: Coach Lars Anderson, Mary Fresse, Loren Foy, Bridget Morton, Erin Rowley, Tamara Marshburn, Abbey Pierce, Jessica McArdele, Courtney Jones, Barbara Jacobson, Jackie Bower, Megan Bowler, Graduate Assistant Coach Kelley Iverson



Freshman Sarah Dagnachew runs up the field with the ball.

Freshman Erin Rowley fends off an opponent going in for the steal.



2002 Women's Soccer

UNCP		Opp.
1	Wingate	4
5	St. Andrews	1
0	Limestone	3
3	Mt. Olive	2
4	Columbia	0
2	Lander	3
7	Peace	0
9	Meredith	0
2	Newberry	1
0	Barton	2
3	Clayton State	4
5	Converse	0
0	Lenoir-Rhyne	5
1	USC-Spartanburg	1
1	Francis Marion	4
1	North Florida	4
1	Francis Marion	6

Fancy Footwork

The UNCP Women's Soccer team kicked off their second year in existence with great expectations. With a foundation still in the making to establish a lasting program, these women played their hearts out to make a reputation for themselves. A highlight of the season was a breathtaking 2-0 win over the women of Converse College. The two goals were scored by freshmen Sarah Dagnachew and Bridget Morton.

Head Coach Lars Andersson, who previously coached at Cumberland College in Kentucky, is in his second season at Pembroke. With his team still being so young, Andersson is recruiting and strengthening the program for up and coming seasons.

Ready . . . Set . . . Spilke!

The Lady Braves had an astonishing year, especially in the conference, making it to the Peach Belt Conference semi-finals. The Lady Braves have worked hard this season, and all of that has paid off. The UNCP Lady Braves Volleyball team gained their first, well-deserved win after a four-game losing streak that started the season. The first winning game came when they overpowered North Carolina Central University with a score of 3 to 1.

The first win in the Peach Belt Conference came when the Lady Braves stomped Francis Marion with a score of 3-1. The Lady Braves overall had an outstanding season especially with their advance to the Peach Belt Conference semi-finals for the first time since 1996. Unfortunately, their season ended when they were unsuccessful against the top seeded North Florida team. Their overall standings were 12-21, and their conference standings were 5-9.

One player from the UNCP Women's Volleyball team had an extraordinary 2002 season. This player, Tina Talsma, was showered with honors such as Peach Belt Conference Player of the Week, All-Conference, and Freshman of the Year. With all of these awards, Talsma still had one more award waiting for her, being named as a member of the 2002 Peach Belt Conference All-Tournament team.



2002 Volleyball—Front: Stacy Norton and Melonie Allin; Middle: Lori Sweeney, Marcie Holden, and Jill Wilson; Back: Head Coach Beverly Justice, Natalie Niesborella, Tina Talsma, Katie Townsend, Jessica Furlough, Graduate Assistant Coach Paula Levay.



Sophomore Melonie Allin dives under the ball to keep it in play.

Junior Natalie Niesborella bumps the ball over the net.



2002 Volleyball

UNCP		Opp.	UNCP		Opp.
1	Wingate	3	3	Lander	0
0	Carson Newman	3	3	St. Andrews	0
1	Wingate	3	2	Florida Tech	3
2	Presbyterian	3	0	Florida Southern	3
3	NC Central	1	1	Eckerd	3
3	Carson Newman	2	0	Wingate	3
3	Converse	1	3	Augusta State	2
3	Lynn	2	3	USC-Aiken	0
2	Nova Southeastern	3	3	Francis Marion	2
2	Mt. Olive	3	0	Armstrong Atlantic	3
1	USC-Aiken	3	0	North Florida	3
1	Augusta State	3	3	NC Central	0
3	Francis Marion	1	0	Lander	3
0	North Florida	3	0	USC-Spartanburg	3
0	Armstrong Atlantic	3	3	USC-Aiken	2
0	Catawba	3	0	North Florida	3
2	USC-Spartanburg	3			

Braves teammates work together to put the ball over the net.

Rain can't stop freshman Gray Taylor from running the race.



Freshman Katie Madden strides towards the finish.



2002 Cross Country

Men's Results

Elon & HPU Invitational	11th
UNC Pembroke Invitational	3rd
Wingate Invitational	4th
FMU Pre-Conference Invitational	6th
Presbyterian College Invitational	1st
NC Collegiate Championships	3rd
Peach Belt Conference Championships	7th

Women's Results

Elon & HPU Invitational	7th
UNC Pembroke Invitational	4th
Wingate Invitational	4th
FMU Pre-Conference Invitational	no score
Presbyterian College Invitational	4th
NC Collegiate Championships	4th
Peach Belt Conference Championships	7th



2002 Men's Cross Country—Front: Jason Conners, David Mead, Coach Larry Rodgers; Back: Shawn Sledge, Phillip Harley, Jeff Moody; Not Pictured: Clarence Ely, Mike Jimenez, Gray Taylor, Troy White



If freshmen runners Tiffany Justice and Elizabeth Deltoro stick together to encourage each other

Mike Jimenez, David Mead, Phillip Harley, and Jason Connors take off from the starting line



2002 Women's Cross Country—Front: Katie Madden, Naomi D'Amours, Elizabeth Deltoro; Back: Chika Okonkwo, Kathy Oldham, Tiffany Justice, Coach Larry Rodgers.

Keeping the Pace

The Men's Cross Country team was faced with the loss of two seniors but still had a successful season. Senior Mike Jimenez placed first in the North Carolina Championships and in the Presbyterian College Invite. This was the second year coaching the men's cross country team for Asst. Coach Jeff Moody, who was part of the national championship team at UNCP and is building a promising foundation.

With almost all freshmen and one sophomore, the Women's Cross Country team showed that they will be a team to reckon with. Head Coach Larry Rodgers had to do heavy recruiting for this year, and the group he recruited will help the success of the team in years to come.

Matthew Hubbard goes for the goal.

Greg Joyner glides by Kennesaw defense for the layup.



At the Crossroads

It's only a matter of time before the UNCP Men's Basketball team returns as a force in the very competitive Peach Belt Conference. This has been somewhat of a difficult season for our guys. There was a new head coach and a new system for players to get accustomed to. But this team has fought valiantly and played with tenacity unmatched for a team struggling as they have this season. So with that being said, there was a silver lining this 0-28 season.

Led by new coach Bryan Garmroth and players like Matt Hubbard and Travis Wallace, this team is something special waiting to happen. In particular transfer Travis Wallace has been a huge force in the paint for the Braves this year. Wallace has become a force in the middle to be reckoned with. He led the team in rebounds and was second in scoring. He played very strong against Division I opponent ECU this season as well. And junior Matt Hubbard has played inspired and a hustling style that began to permeate through to the rest of the team late in the season. He led the team in assists and scoring while playing just as hard on the defensive end.

Patience is a virtue, and we must be patient with this team. Next season we will see a strong team with knowledge of their coach's system that will prove that the UNCP Braves will be back with vengeance.

Anthony Crank shoots three for the Braves.





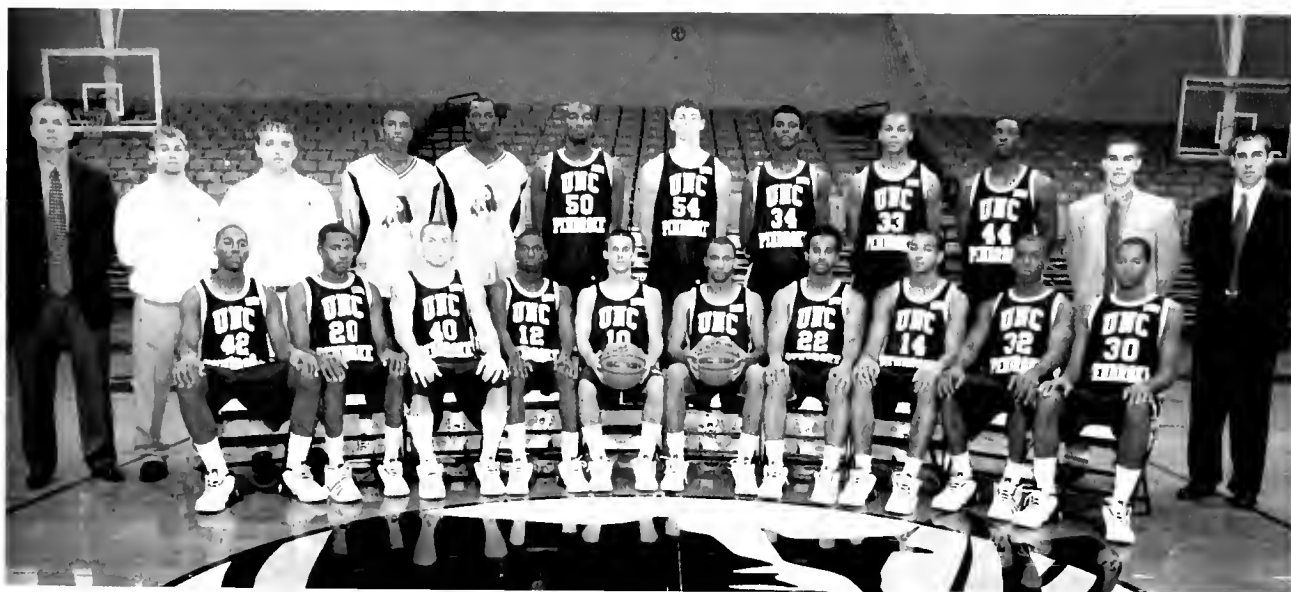
Freshman Mark Salazar dribbles in looking to score.



2002-3

Men's Basketball

UNCP		Opp.
68	Mt. Olive	89
49	Clayton	89
72	North Greenville	78
68	USC Aiken	77
64	St. Andrews College	77
45	Coker College	50
55	Lenoir-Rhyne	97
46	Eckerd	72
47	East Carolina	93
65	Newport News	78
45	Georgia College & State	82
62	Kennesaw State	70
53	Armstrong Atlantic State	77
47	Francis Marion	74
54	Augusta State	103
51	USC Spartanburg	75
47	Clayton College & State	69
63	Lander	66
40	Armstrong Atlantic State	58
58	Francis Marion	68
56	Georgia College & State	63
62	Augusta State	69
56	Columbus State	84
54	USC Aiken	71
52	Lander	71
40	USC Spartanburg	72
55	North Florida	76
59	Armstrong Atlantic State	67



2002-3 Men's Basketball—Matthew Hubbard, Terrence Williams, Mark Salazar, Rico Odom, Eduardo Walters, Anthony Crank, Desi Crisp, Greg Joyner, Keith Melvin, Jesse Wilson, Travis Wallace, Lionel Capers

Lindsay Bartholt goes up for a one-handed 3-pointer



New Faces

Fourth year head coach Sandi Mitchell knows what a huge task it is to start a basketball season with mostly new faces, but it can be a rewarding experience, also. This season Lady Braves basketball welcomed seven freshmen and three transfers to their squad, which finished the season with 8 wins against 18 losses. Mitchell had five players returning, including three starters from last year's 18-9 team. Leading the way for the Lady Braves this year were senior guards Katie March and Lauren Thigpen. Marsh was ranked second on the team in assists per game last season and led the Peach Belt last year in three point percentage. Thigpen, a defensive specialist, finished third on the team in assists and field goal percentage. The other two seniors on the team, Jameka Dixon and Ebony Orr, were also guards. New players in the backcourt included transfer Rebecca Norris and freshmen Lindsay Bartholt and Elise Stanback. Only sophomore Margo High returned in the frontcourt this season, joined by Tierra Kaiser. Two freshmen vying for minutes at forward were Amanda Moss and Katie Townsend. Mitchell recruited two freshmen to fill the shoes of graduating center Jennifer Lance: Brittney Gaddy and Tiffany Wright.

Tierra Kaiser reaches for the rebound against Kennesaw State



Sophomore forward Margo High takes aim for the basket

Katie Marsh looks for open teammates.



2002-3 Women's Basketball

UNCP	OPP.
50 West Chester	68
62 Salem International	43
77 Queens of Charlotte	69
48 Clayton College & State	64
66 USC Aiken	49
83 Mt. Olive College	65
74 Pfeiffer	79
97 St. Andrews	80
60 Georgia College & State	68
67 Kennesaw State	80
61 Armstrong Atlantic State	84
52 Francis Marion	49
47 Augusta State	63
65 USC Spartanburg	77
40 Clayton College & State	70
69 Lander	80
63 Armstrong Atlantic State	88
63 Francis Marion	73
64 Georgia College & State	50
56 Augusta State	79
58 Columbus State	75
59 USC Aiken	76
90 Lander University	80
66 USC Spartanburg	79
63 North Florida	76
95 North Florida	88
51 USC Aiken	67



2002-3 Women's Basketball—Rebecca Norris, Lindsay Bartholf, Margo High, Katie Marsh, Lauren Thiapen, Tisha Douglas, Natasha Stotler, Ebony Orr, Jameka Dixon, Brittney Gaddy, Elise Stanback, Katie Townsend, Amanda Moss, Tiffany Wright, Julia Ayers, Tierra Kaiser

Jerome Benjamin overpowers his opponent



2002-3 Wrestling

UNCP		OPP.
29	Belmont Abbey	12
46	Albright	3
30	Apprentice	10
57	Gallaudet	0
29	McDaniel	12
42	Washington & Lee	3
22	Davidson	7
31	Cumberland	11
27	Carson-Newman	13
16	Pittsburgh-Johnstown	28
18	Gannon	20
24	Mercyhurst	15
34	Kutztown	9
32	Pensacola Christian	18
22	Newport News Apprentice	16
23	Anderson	15
26	Gardner-Webb	16



2002-3 Wrestling—Kyle Devlin, Roylando Lucas, Devon Daniels, Jimmy Harrington, Curry Pickard, David Nobles, Rynell Burt, Matthew Chamber, Michael Chandler, Norlan Graves, Blake Milford, Isidro Rodriguez, Celdrick Barton, Jerome Benjamin, Fred Gamble, Aaron Gunning, Lantreco Jackson, Ryan Tingle, Dwayne Coward, Rezell Gore, Bryan Jones, Brian Allen, Jon Smith, Elbert Williams, Aubrey Wright, Luciano Vera, Matthew Anglin, Der Brunson, Nick Frazier, Celdrick McCall, Corey Winston, Matt Dunn, Scott Metcalf, Chris Russell, Chris Simpson, Jermaine Thomas, Josh Woodruff

Carrying the Load

UNCP Wrestlers for 2002-2003 were in a league of their own this season with a record of 14-2. The Braves hit the mats with an impressive 9-0 start. Five time "Coach of the Year" P.J. Smith said eight essential players were vital to the team's success. The teammates to carry the load were Dwayne Coward, Aaron Gunning, Roylando Lucas, Curry Pickard, Jon Smith, Corey Winston, and Josh Woodruff.

The UNCP wrestlers conquered another tournament at the Newport News Apprentice School in Newport News, Virginia. On their way to a tournament title, the Braves set a few school and tournament records.

The Braves scored a tournament record 129.5 points on the day, with seven first place finishes and one second, third, and fourth place finish.

Senior Luciano Vera, who wrestles in the 174 lb. weight class, finished first for the third time in four years at the prestigious meet. Vera was also a four-time finalist in his career at the NNAS tournament.

To sum up the season, Curry "The Flurry" Pickard ranked fourth in NCAA Div II at 133 lbs.; Dwayne

"The Pain" Coward was the East Regional champion at 165lbs.; Derek "The Destroyer" Brunson ranked 8th in NCAA Div II and was East Regional Champion at 184lbs.; and Cory "The Glory" Winston got 4th in the East Region. Known as the "four horsemen," these wrestlers from UNCP competed in the NCAA II National Championships on March 15th and 16th in Wheeling, WVA for National Champion and All-American Honors.



Devon Daniel gets a leg up on his opponent.

Curry Pickard sets his opponent up for a pin.



Hours of practice on trampolines in the gym prepares cheerleaders to reach new heights during competitions and exhibitions.



Working out with weights helps cheerleaders give their teammates a lift during routines.



Cheers!

UNCP's cheerleading squad supported our athletes by cheering from the sidelines and performing routines during games. They also performed at Pembroke Day and at other events throughout the year. But the cheerleaders were also athletes themselves, putting in hours of practice in the gym to achieve the conditioning and coordination necessary for the lifts, tosses, and other stunts that entertained their audiences. In addition to performing on campus, the squad held car washes and other fundraisers that enabled them to attend camps and represent the university at various competitions.



2002-03 Cheerleaders—Jolee Fedak, Crystal Harris, Shamar Allen, Ivory Bouknight, Christina Flores, Cherece Grier, Dartanian Howard, Nikki Johnson, Asa Lowry, Carl McLaurin, Lauren Newsome, Amy Pappas, Julie Tobias

Academics



All work and no play—The key to a successful semester is time management. This student is taking advantage of valuable time before class to catch up on some homework.



*F*ounded in 1887, The University of North Carolina at Pembroke has become a pillar of academic excellence. With the visibly increasing student enrollment and campus expansion all around us, let us not forget to look within the academic departments for their own achievements.

China is a long distance for Pembroke, but not for our Master's of Public Management program, which this past year has made UNCP an international university with the offering of courses there. Closer to home, the School of Education received a positive evaluation from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE); students began their studies in Forensic Chemistry, Musical Theatre, and other new academic programs; and the Department of English, Theatre, and Languages gained approval for a new major in Spanish.



Honors College students take a break from studying to get together in Old Main.

Presentations come naturally for Alyson Bernava and other Mass Communication students.



These students apparently know how to make the grade.

In control, TV Production students learn their trade as Dr. Jannie Litty looks on.





OLD AND NEW

Old Main, the most historic building on the UNCP campus, housed a number of academic programs, including one that honors the university's origins as an all-Indian school. UNCP is one of only two schools east of the Mississippi that offers a Bachelor's degree in American Indian Studies. Dr. Jay Vest was the newest member of this department's faculty. Dr. Linda Oxendine, the department chair, stated that they are working on a five-year plan that collaborates with other departments such as History, English, and Political Science and Public Administration to develop joint tracks in oral literature, folklore, public history, museum studies, and federal policy and tribal government.

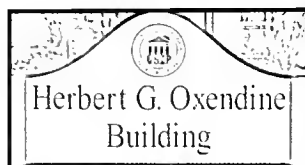
Also in Old Main was the Mass Communications Department, which has taken many new steps this year through hiring new faculty and staff and making improvements to already existing projects. The new department head, Dr. Anthony R. Curtis, has come to UNCP with many years of experience as a journalism professor and has a lot of great ideas for the department's future. Even though Dr. Curtis could be seen in his office taking phone calls and handling other important matters, he could also be seen on Wednesdays at the WNCN-TV studios watching each week's live news show. Dr. Curtis stressed that he is always available to talk and has an open door policy. Another new face in the Mass Communications Department family was Mr. Mike DeCinti, a native of the Pocono Mountains, who served as an instructor for the students in the field of Broadcasting. DeCinti could also be seen in his office conferencing with students or in the WNCN-TV studio giving his opinion on the production.

Old Main was also home to the Honors College, which was in its second year under the direction of Dr. Carolyn Thompson. Students in all of the academic programs in Old Main had only a short walk to the Sampson-Livermore Library, which provided a wealth of print and electronic resources for students, faculty, and staff throughout the university.



Building listening skills, these two Honors students listen attentively.

In between the stacks, this student enjoys the stillness of the library.



Dr. Joe Goldston prepares to hand assignments out as his Computer Science students wait anxiously.

Dr. Sivanadane Mandjiny's Chemistry students learn to explore all of the possibilities in the lab.



Ben is fascinated with the beauty of Botany.

Dr. William Campbell lends a helping hand in his computer exercise.



OPPORTUNITIES IN SCIENCE



The Oxendine Science Building is home to the departments of Biology, Chemistry and Physics, and Mathematics and Computer Science. This year the Biology Department welcomed a new chair, Dr. Andrew Ash. Dr. Ash commented that he was excited because the university will have a chapter of Beta Beta Beta, a national honors program in biology, for the first time this year. Twenty-three students will participate. The Chemistry and Physics Department also offered a new program for its students this year: a major in Forensic Chemistry.

Five students from UNCP—MaryBeth Brayboy, Cynthia Bruer, Toni Chagolla, April Oxendine, and Joe Oxendine—were selected by NASA to participate in the Reduced Gravity Student Flight Opportunities Program at the Johnson Space Center in Houston. Together with the other members of their team, three students from UNC Charlotte, they flew to Houston in April to research how liquids diffuse in a reduced gravity environment. "I think we should all be proud of these students," said Dr. Tim Ritter, an associate professor of physics who was the team's advisor. "It is a truly wonderful opportunity."

Another positive change planned for the sciences was construction of a new wing in the building. Although work on the new wing will force classes to be relocated to temporary facilities for approximately four months, the whole building is going to be renovated, offering more educational space for students and new laboratories when construction is completed.

In addition to the programs housed in the Oxendine Science Building, UNCP also offered a Bachelor of Science in Nursing for registered nurses who wished to further their education and enhance their skills.



Accuracy matters for these two students working on their scientific experiment.

Can you hit this note? Ms. Jennifer Thomas helps Rob Berongi intensify his vocal cords.

Creativity leads to an agreed upon masterpiece by Jack Pinkerton and Wayne Hatcher.



WE KNOW ART

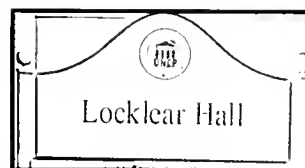
The Art Department welcomed a new Chair, Dr. Janette K. Hopper, this year, and continued to offer additional courses in media integration, which brought aspects of digital music and audio together. It tied together art, digital art, music, digital music, mass communication, digital video, and three-dimensional modeling animation. Digital photography also was something new that the department offered. Art students also had two opportunities for study abroad: a summer session in Florence, Italy, with trips to Rome, Venice, and Sicily; and a trip to Guatemala to study drawing and photography for two and a half weeks.

As of the 2002-2003 school year, the Music and Theatre programs joined together to form a whole new degree program, Musical Theatre, designed to incorporate both of those arts so that students who were interested in both could put their talents to good use. A new faculty member, Travis Stockley, was hired to run the new program and was busy with getting the new program on its feet and getting more students interested. The new program dove deeply into the intricacies of all the work that had to be put into theatrical performances. It was also involved in putting on performances for the student body of UNCP.

The Music Department still put great emphasis on its desire to produce qualified musicians who will go out into the world to work in the music business or become professional performers or music teachers. Seniors were each required to perform a recital as one of their requirements for graduation. The year was full of many wonderful concerts that were performed by the students as well as the faculty.

In Theatre, each student had to participate in the University Theatre, a performance program housed in the Givens Performing Arts Center, and each senior who was to graduate from the Theatre program had to put on and direct a small play. The University Players were extremely active with all of the performances that they held. Their fall production of *The Marriage of Bette and Boo* was a success and a joy for all that attended.





This lady takes a break from her clarinet.

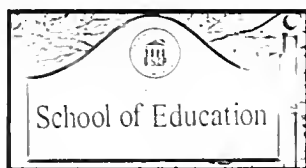


Stepping into the light, Katrina Hargrave and Dan Hirsch portray the qualities of love in *The Marriage of Bette and Boo* as Rob Summers looks on.

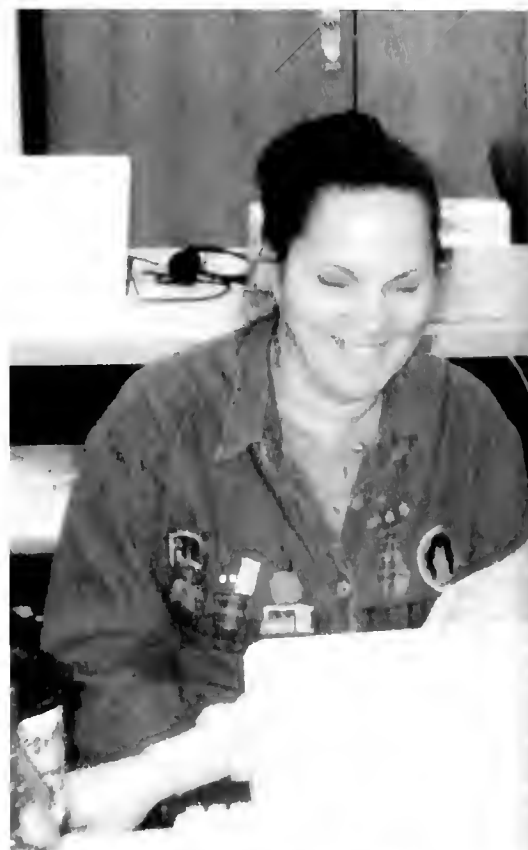
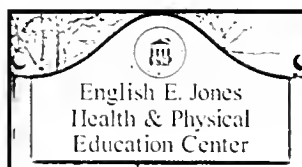
KJ shows his visual skills by creating a unique mosaic figure in his art class.



This student positions his hands carefully as he practices on the piano.



Dr. Jeff Geller takes roll in one of his advanced philosophy courses.



PASSING IT ON

Located in the Educational Center were the School of Education and the departments of Psychology and Counseling and Philosophy and Religion. In the fall, the Education programs once again received a highly favorable evaluation from the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, NCATE. The School of Education welcomed several new faculty members, and Dr. Warren Baker was appointed Acting Dean.

Dr. David Nikkel joined the faculty of the Philosophy and Religion Department. In the Psychology and Counseling Department, Dr. William Collier was a new faculty member, and Mrs. Annette Morgan became full time. The UNCP chapter of the national honor society in psychology, Psi Chi, have been very busy this year, with Dr. Kelly Charlton as the advisor and Hillary Griffin as president. When asked to comment on the programs in the department, senior Psychology major Veronica Emanuel said, "I am very glad to be graduating with a psychology degree—I just hope I can find a job."

The Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation welcomed new faculty members to coach men's basketball and softball. Although the gym remained much the same, the new track and soccer complex provided enhanced facilities for students and faculty in many athletic programs.



Fitness Walking is one of the many PE courses available for General Education students.



Linda Locklear and a classmate take a break from their curriculum lab assignment.



Dr. Annette Morgan prepares her lesson plans for her Psychology class.



Dr. Ronald Loftis lectures as he teaches different religious perspectives.

Dr. Judy Wish instructs a group project in the Media Center.

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

The Business Administration Building is the home of several academic programs including Business, Criminal Justice, Sociology, Social Work, Geology and Geography. The School of Business is overseen by Dr. Edward Powers. It offers a bachelor of science degree with a major in marketing, finance, economics, or applied business. The basic core courses allow for a broad background needed for successful competition in the dynamic work world as well as preparation for further study in the graduate programs. The School of Business also serves students who are unable to attend daytime classes. According to junior marketing and management major, Charles Triplett, he enjoys his major tremendously. He sees himself in the future as being head marketing consultant for fortune 500 companies. Of course it is a lot of hard work but it is worth it. One student said that the professors in this department are very helpful and dedicated to their jobs.



Deliberative listening skills and note-taking are required for this course in business.

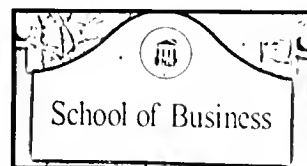
Dr. David Fricke looks over group work in his Mineral and Rock class.





This Social Work student reviews his material while waiting for class to start.

These geography students focus on instruction to learn more about the world around them.



Anxiously awaiting test scores, these students direct their attention to the professor.

Adolph L. Dial
Humanities Building

Loreen Bessire prepares to start Dr. Monika Brown's Victorian Age course.

Dr. Michael Hawthorne gives a political science presentation.



Dr. Robert Brown emphasizes important history facts to his class.

Dr. Liliana Wendorff prepares her students for Spanish, which will be a new major available next year.





Dr. Virginia Jones, a new English faculty member, unpacks before the start of her class.

Straying away from the more popular second language, these students learn French.



AROUND THE DIAL

The Dial Building housed the departments of English, Theatre, and Languages; History; and Political Science and Public Administration. The English, Theatre, and Languages Department offered students opportunities for personal and professional growth in the field of English language and literature. On Friday March 22, 2002, the department held a conference on the works of the award-winning author, Robert Morgan, and students in the department produced their second edition of *The Aurochs*, UNCP's new literary magazine, in May, with the third volume scheduled for Spring 2003. A new degree program in Spanish was also approved this year.

The History Department provided a detailed study of the peoples of different times and places, offering many programs of study for many careers. The department also had clubs and organizations in which students could get involved, such as the North Carolina Association of Historians, the History Club, and Phi Alpha Theta, the international history honor society.

An important academic resource located in the Dial Building was the UNCP Writing Center. The staff helped students with questions about their papers. They provided information on the writing process and helped with revising the papers of the students that came for help or ideas.

Writing Center Director Amanda Calvin reviews the day's appointments with Melissa Bebb and one of the other students who work as peer tutors in the center.

EXPANDING MINDS AND HORIZONS

Evenings and Saturdays were prime time for graduate study at UNCP, since most of the students in our master's degree programs worked full-time during the day. After the undergraduate commuter students had departed, the parking lots behind the Education, BA, and Dial Buildings began to fill up again as graduate students arrived for the next shift.

Remaining true to its roots as an institution for training teachers, UNCP offered a wide range of M.A. and M.A.Ed. programs in elementary, secondary, and special education and school counseling. But students could also pursue an M.B.A. in various business-related fields or an M.S. in our Master's of Public Management (MPM) program, which prepared students for administrative positions in government, nonprofit organizations, and other fields.

Graduate study at UNCP has expanded rapidly in recent years. In addition to new programs of study, courses are now available in more locations. The MBA program offers classes at Richmond and Sandhills Community Colleges and over the Internet. Expanding even further, the MPM program has recently introduced course offerings in China.



Junfeng (Susie) Wang is congratulated by Dr. Carolyn Thompson and Dr. Roger Brown at graduation. Wang planned to return to China with her new MPM from UNCP.

Students attend class at the China University of Mining and Technology, the new site for some UNCP graduate classes.





Dr. Kathleen Hilton, Dean of the School of Graduate Studies, speaks with students who are about to receive their master's degrees at the December 2002 commencement. This year, UNCP awarded the largest number of master's degrees in its history, and the graduate programs continue to grow.

At the end of February 2002, graduate student Loreen Bessire is really looking forward to Spring Break.



Graduate students listen and take notes as a classmate gives a presentation in Dr. Kay McClanahan's ESL class.

MPM faculty members Dr. Robert Schneider and Dr. Nick Giannatasio visit China during the summer of 2002. In addition to making plans for UNCP's course offerings in China, they also visited the Great Wall and various historical sites in Beijing.

People



Pembroke Day, a fall ritual—These students are all smiles enjoying the fun and sun of this glorious day.



*U*NCP's population consists of administration, students, faculty, staff, and alumni. For each of the categories to function properly they will require, at some point and time, the assistance of another. Whether it is a student turning to a professor for help, a professor requesting advice from another professor, or the administration relying on the alumni's positive memories when it comes time for their children and grandchildren to attend college, the need for all of UNCP's population to work together is tremendous.

UNCP's administration, faculty, and staff, as many students already know, work together to give students the best possible education and college experience. Students can always rely on receiving help when needed, whether it is concerned with a particular class, financial aid, writing a research paper, or looking for a job during their senior year. UNCP works together to provide the kind of working and learning environment that everyone can appreciate.

Crystal Dee Allen

Biomedical Emphasis
Lumberton

Jennifer Allen

Theater
Arlington, TX

Melissa Blair Allen

Social Studies Education
Rockingham



Felicia Ann Altman

Athletic Training
Rowland

Myron Bernard Anglish

Social work
Tuskegee, AL

Cynthia Marie Artis

Sociology
Harrisburg, PA



Senior Erin Murner is sure she's going to make it to her class in the Dial Building on time.

Although the yearbook office provided little space for seniors to have their formal photographs taken, this student is still all smiles!





Ellis Fennel Baker

Art
Rowland

Wanda Carol Bartley

Management and Marketing
Chadbourn

Sharise M. Bijou

Social Work
Fayetteville



Stephanie Ann Billingsley

History
Rockingham

Kenissa Laurretta Bird

Biology
Pembroke

Alissa Dawn Bishop

English Education
Delco



A HISTORY FELLOW

Melissa Blair Allen, known to most as Blair, started her life in Rockingham, North Carolina. She describes her hometown as "similar to Pembroke, really small with a main stretch of highway that has everything on it."

Blair is majoring in Social Studies Education. Having good Social Studies teachers throughout her scholastic career helped her make the decision to major in Social Studies. When asked about the Social Studies department here at UNCP, she said that she has had a good experience with the department and its professors.

Blair is on the Teaching Fellows' Executive Board, where she represents the senior fellows. Other than getting out for classes and Teaching Fellows activities, she spends most of her time in her apartment. She advises students not to follow her example by spending all your time in your dorm or apartment because "you will get cabin fever."



Despite being extremely anxious to graduate, Blair feels that "being a senior hasn't sunk in yet." After graduation, Blair is going to try and get a teaching job in the local area. After she has taught for a couple of years, she plans to return to school to get her Master's in History, Administration, or School Psychology.

Overall, Blair feels that UNCP has prepared for her life ahead. "The four years I have had away from home has given me time to grow up." Blair has learned that to get anywhere in life you have to stand up for yourself and say what you think. She advises incoming freshmen not to "let rebellion affect your grades or your performance in

school. Control yourself and be smart about what you choose to do."

Blair's closing remark: "Reach for the sky; even if you miss you'll land among the stars."

ANNETTE HAGANS

FLUENTLY SPOKEN

Senior Joao Abel De Freitas is a very unique student here at UNCP. Joao is from a Portuguese island called Madeira. Joao lives on campus and believes that living on campus "is a lot better in terms of getting the whole college experience."

Joao is a full-time student majoring in Business Administration with a double concentration in Management and Marketing. Joao said, "Management and Marketing has been my ambition for as long as I can remember." Joao has had internships that were related to the field in Italy and Portugal. Aside from being a busy student Joao played golf his first three years here at Pembroke, but decided to give it up and stick to his schoolwork.

Joao's decision to make this journey to UNCP was related to the fact that the school was growing and offering more academically and athletically. "I would recommend Pembroke to any

student looking for a place with the academic and social conditions that UNCP has to offer."

The plans Joao has for the near future are still in progress, but he is mainly looking to go work for two years after graduation in order to get experience in the "real world" environment. His hopes are to work with a worldwide company "that could allow me to travel and take advantage of the four languages that I speak." Once he gets his experience in the "real world," Joao intends to return to graduate school to get his MBA in International Business.

When asked what he enjoyed the most about UNCP and what he will miss the most Joao replied, "The people and friends I met at UNCP will be remembered and missed the most." As Joao's closing remark to his interview and years at UNCP he said, "I would like to thank everyone for the hospitality and education that were provided to me."

LARRY ROD SAMPSON



Susan Ann Bowen

Public Administration
Little Valley, NY

Mary Beth Brayboy

Mass Communications/
American Indian Studies
Laurinburg

Lawanda Sue Brewer

Criminal Justice
Rowland



Katrina Locklear Brewington

American Indian Studies
Pembroke

Josephine Brice

Criminal Justice
Shannon

Wendy Lynn Britt

Middle Grades Education
Lumberton





Dan Esposito and Mike Jimenez are happy to be getting their degrees at the December 2002 graduation.

These two students seem to be having a good time despite the cold weather.



Benjamin A. Bryan
Biology
Bladenboro

Crystal Rose Bullard
Biology and Chemistry
Pembroke

Karrye Patrice Bullard
Elementary Education
Bladenboro



Lynnette Goodwyn-Eller Butler
Biology
Laurinburg

Cassandra McDonald Byers
Sociology
Richmond County

Machella Nydia Caldwell
Political Science
West End

Dedra Michelle Chavis

Psychology
Maxton

Emmy Lou Clark

Business Administration
Lumberton

Amanda Leigh Coble

Special Education
Julian



Kenman L. Collins

Computer Science
Pembroke

Priscilla Colón

English and Public Relations
Fayetteville

Rachel Anne Copeland

Business Administration
Aberdeen



CENTER STAGE

Sarah Marie Dalton, also known as Sarie, is from a small town called Eli Whitney where she lived until she came to UNCP. Sarah commutes to campus and feels that being a commuter leaves her less informed about things that go on around campus.

Sarah is majoring in Theatre and also pursuing a minor in Business Administration. She decided to major in Theatre after auditioning for a play. The director noticed her talent and suggested that Sarah pursue a degree in Theater. According to Sarah, the course offerings in the Theatre department are wonderful and the faculty does everything in their power to provide for the students' needs. Sarah's hands-on experience in the theater include being a student worker, technical assistant in the shop, and participating in 12 productions. Sarah is also a member of Alpha Psi Omega (the honorary theater fraternity), where she presides as secretary and president of University Players.



Sarah chose UNCP because it's a good, small school with great faculty and staff who provide for the students. She definitely recommends the school to prospective students, especially students going into the Theatre program. "You will receive a lot of one on one attention and you won't just be a number." Sarah's advice to entering freshman is: "Decide your major as soon as possible and take as many classes as you can in that area. Get familiar with the people in your department because they are the ones who will help you reach your goals."

Excitement and fear are just a couple of Sarah's feelings about being a senior and getting ready to step out into the real world. She feels that UNCP has prepared her for the real world that lies ahead and she is ready to take it on. Sarah plans to try to find a job working in a theater after she graduates. She says she will miss the friends she has made here and will miss working with the Theatre department as well.

MORGAN LUCAS





Shatina Michelle Covington

Business Administration
Rockingham

James Thomas Crane

Broadcasting
Fayetteville

David L. Cullins

Molecular Biology
Meridian, MS



Kresa M. Cummings

Biology and Chemistry
Pembroke

Sarah Marie Dalton

Theatre
Eli Whitney

Heather Marie Davis

Social Studies Education
Lumberton



Many seniors are anxious to get their degrees at the December 2002 graduation.

Seniors know going to class on a regular basis is the only way to succeed in college.

Jamie Bream, Darren Sellers, and Michael Woodard show that in the end, all the studying and hard work truly does pay off!

This trio knows that friends are definitely an important element in the college atmosphere.



Lawanda Denise Davis

Sociology
Chadbourn

Amy Catherine Dawkins

Sociology
Rockingham

Gene Cornelius Deese

Computer Science
Pembroke



LaShauna Renee Deese

Computer Science and Chemistry
Pembroke

Ashley Elizabeth Dial

Political Science
Raeford

Eugenia Dial

Biology
Pembroke



A LONG ROAD

Michael Alan Heminger, a senior English major, is originally from Regal Wood, N.C., a town outside of Wilmington.

Mike, as most people call him, has lived in Regal Wood for almost 23 years. Mike commutes a 75-mile stretch to and from school everyday. "The drive kills my gas and oil, but not living on campus gives me time to myself."

Mike chose UNCP because of its reputation, small classes, one-on-one teaching, and because of the professors. Mike came from a small high school and knows all about getting individual attention in a smaller setting like the one UNCP offers. Mike recommends UNCP to students because "you will get a better chance to excel."

Mike was originally a Genetics major, but changed to English instead. Mike loves literature. He compliments the English department by saying, "The faculty is pretty good. They are very knowledgeable. However, the course offerings are

at midpoint due to change."

When asked how he feels about finally being a senior, Mike said, "It has been a long road and I am crazy excited!" After graduation, he plans on going to graduate school. Mike wants to become a college professor because "it is the only way you can stay in college and get paid for it." He also wants to write a novel sometime in the future.

Mike is going to miss the people he has met here at UNCP. "It is a small department and I know everyone." Mike's advice to incoming freshman: "Don't be afraid to ask questions and go to class. Just because they are not taking attendance does not mean that attendance is not important.

Most importantly, HAVE FUN!"

Michael leaves us with these words: "To teach and delight is what literature is about and it is the same for college in general. You will learn from people in and out of class."

JASON RAPOLLA



Kimberly D. Dial

Birth-Kindergarten Education
Pembroke

Harry L. Dingle, Jr.

Political Science
Raleigh

Ronnie Glenn Eddings

Sociology
Pembroke



John Erik Edwards

Business Management
Dublin

Veronica Emanuel

Psychology/American Indian Studies
St. Pauls

Daniel P. Esposito

Health and Physical Education
Plainview, NY

Mary A. Evans

English
Hamlet

Liseanne Fedor

Business Management
Lumberton

Misty Fernandez

Public Administration
Raeford



Eileen Robin Flynn

Physical Education
Winter Springs, FL

Sandy Wilson Freeman

Nursing
Chadbourn

Janice Lugenia Gibbs

Sociology
Maxton



Janice Lugenia Gibbs

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This guy decides he needs to take a break and chat with a friend for a while.

Modeling her various ropes and medallions, LSOP member Lakita Sutton is happy that she finally made it.





Kristina Kay Gleffe

English
Fayetteville

Camille Locklear Goin

Business Administration
Pembroke

Michael Wade Green

Computer Science
Fair Bluff



Hillary Rae Griffin

Psychology
Burlington

Matthew L. Hall

Music Education
Hot Springs, AR

Jason Michael Hallman

Recreation Management
Eden

AUSSIE TENNIS PLAYER

This Australian redhead standing 5'7" runs for each and every ball, fights for her team day in and day out, and strives to be the best she can be for the UNCP tennis team. When we ask to ourselves who is this girl with a massive spin on her one-handed backhand, the answer can only be Naomi Louise Ellis. Naomi is seen as a true motivator for her team. When she was younger, Naomi could never pronounce her own name so she called herself "Mim" and the nickname has stuck with her. She is from Melbourne, Australia, and was recruited by UNCP's tennis coach. "Melbourne is a really cool city. It is like Chicago, very urban but not too hot or cold."

After traveling from Australia to Pembroke on a tennis scholarship, Naomi eventually decided to double major in Criminal Justice and Sociology. "My father was a police officer and when I was little I wanted to be in the FBI." She is very

interested in the social interactions of people and wants to do something involved with social interactions.

After graduation Naomi plans to travel to Chicago to find a job in paralegal or private investigating. After Chicago, Naomi plans to return to Australia.

Out of all the things here at UNCP, Naomi says the things she will miss the most are tennis and her friends. "I loved traveling with the team and going to different places." When asked if she could give any advice to incoming freshmen, she says it would be to have a balance. "They need to have a good balance between school work and their social life."

Her team and friends, but surely not her competition, are going to miss Naomi. She brought a lot to her team and to UNCP. We wish her the best in everything she does.



LAUREN LOSONCY

ON TRACK

Many people know him as "Himmie," the man, the myth, and the legend, but few know the man behind the myth. Michael Lee Jimenez was born in Fayetteville, North Carolina. Mike attended and graduated from 71st High School in Fayetteville. While in high school, Mike decided to give up on baseball and try running Cross-Country and Track. Mike's decision to give up baseball and try something new earned him an athletic scholarship here at UNCP.

Mike's natural talents in cross-country and track have won him many awards. Mike won two State Individual titles in cross-country and All-Conference honors in the Peach Belt for three years. In track, Mike has raced in the 3k Steeple Chase and in the 5k Steeple Chase, with his best times being 9:45 and 15:20 respectively. Aside from his busy life in the athletic department, Mike is also president of

the Theta Xi fraternity, president of the Inter-Fraternity Council, and a member of the Inter Greek Round Table and Inter Greek Advisory.

With Mike's natural talent and love of athletics, it isn't a big surprise that he chose to major in Physical Education. "I want a job where I don't have to sit behind a desk all day." When questioned about the Physical Education Department, Mike stated, "The professors in this department are great. You get a lot of individual attention from the professors."

After Mike graduates in December, he wants to continue on to graduate school here at UNCP. Mike would like to coach a track and cross-country team at a local high school if the opportunity arises. "The best way to get a job is to send as many resumes to as many employers as you can and remember in life it's not what you know, it's who you know. What you know only keeps you there."



GRAY TAYLOR

Alice Lee Hammonds

Accounting
Lumberton

Lenita V. Hammonds

Biology-Molecular Concentration
Red Springs

Rennie Cale Harrington

Political Science
Lewiston-Woodville



Monte Chadwick Herring

Math
Cerro Gordo

Danielle Vedette Hiraldo

Political Science: Pre-law
Pembroke

Angela Locklear Hunt

Sociology
Lumberton



Angela Locklear Hunt
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Senior and English major Mike Heminger reviews his notes before the day begins.

The December 2002 graduation is a big day for Deana Martel and other seniors.



Barbara J. Hunt

Social Work
Fairmont

Kimberly Denise Hunt-Locklear

Elementary Education
Clinton

Lisa Hunt

Criminal Justice
Lumberton



Melissa A. Hunt

Social Work
Bennert

Sherry Ann Hunt

Public Relations
Fairmont

Jason Dwayne Ivey

Computer Graphics
Fairmont

Candy Marie Jacobs

Biology
Fayetteville

Kelvin Ray Jacobs

Management-Business Administration
Lumberton

Kenneth Dwayne Jacobs II

Business Administration/Finance
Cumberland County



Kelvin Ray Jacobs

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Ashleigh Tennille Johnson

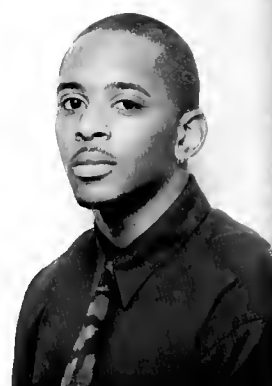
Biology and Chemistry/Medical Emphasis
Pembroke

Gawaine Michael Johnson

Theatre Arts
Jacksonville

Ronald Maurice Johnson

Criminal Justice and Sociology
Fayetteville



SHE FINALLY MADE IT

Kristina Kay Gleffe, often called Kristi, is finally graduating after many long years of college. Originally from a small town in Illinois, Kristi graduated from high school in 1986. She began taking college courses the summer after her graduation; however Kristi enrolled in the military and moved frequently to places including Arkansas, Alaska, and Mississippi. While moving, Kristi transferred colleges but some of the courses she took did not transfer with her. This put her behind in her college career, but she was determined to get the job done. After being transferred by the military to Pope Air Force Base, Kristi decided to come to UNCP.

Kristi commutes every day and enjoys the time she spends here. She is an English major who hopes to go on to graduate school and eventually become a college professor. Kristi's decision to major in English was inspired by her love for reading. When asked about the

English department here at UNCP she said, "I love it! There are so many personable people I have gotten to know."

Reading is not Kristi's only love. She has two beautiful children who are 4 and 6 years old. She loves to spend time with them and is active in her son's Cub Scout group. Along with being a full time mother and student, Kristi is also President of Sigma Tau Delta (UNCP's English honors society), a member of Alpha Chi (the campus honor society), and editor of *The Aurochs* (UNCP's student published literature magazine sponsored by the English department).

Kristi says she is going to miss her friends she has made here and the English department upon graduating from UNCP. Her best advice to incoming freshmen is "try to have balance between fun and learning." She also encourages all students to "try writing and putting your feelings down on paper."

AMBER BRESWITZ





Ranada L. Jones

Criminal Justice
Pembroke

Kimberly L. Kelly

Social Work
Raeford

Jessica Michelle Kirkpatrick

Psychology
Chesapeake, VA



Jennifer Denise Lewinski

Business Administration/Marketing
Fayetteville

Stacie Dawn Lewis

Business Management
Bladenboro

Norris A. Lipsey

Philosophy and Religion
Rockingham



A look of anticipation is on every senior's face as they await their turn to walk across the stage.

Jackie Colonel and a friend enjoy one of the Homecoming events at the GPAC.

The University Center is a popular hangout for students like Jesse Dobbs III, Ronald "Moe" Johnson, and Taniesha "Red" Epps.

Another December 2002 graduate shows how proud she is to have made it this far.



April Rena Locklear

Social Work
Lumberton

Crystal Ann Locklear

Public Relations
Pembroke

Jamie Lynn Locklear

Chemistry
Lake Waccamaw



Jennifer Lloyd Locklear

History
Pembroke

Jerry Lynn Locklear

Computer Science
Lumberton

Judith Ann Locklear

Nursing
Pembroke



SHY YET AGGRESSIVE

Every experience makes me better as an overall person and that is what matters," says senior Sociology and Criminal Justice major Maurice "Moe" Johnson. Moe is actively involved in many different organizations, including AASO (African American Student Organization) and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated.

Moe is quiet-natured and shy-mannered yet he is very aggressive when it comes to his academics. He is an accomplished Sociology major with a double major in Criminal Justice as well. "Sociology was a class that was totally different from all other classes. It intrigued me, which in turn made me interested in learning more," inserts a shy Moe. Moe is interested in working with adolescents in group homes. He feels that he can make an impact on adolescents' lives because he is able to identify

with a lot of issues that youth are faced with today and because he is easy to talk to.

While at UNCP, Moe has learned to appreciate the school because "it is a good school to attend. It fulfilled my needs with its small student to teacher ratios, which has allowed me to be treated like a person and not a number." Nevertheless, through all of the excitement of being a senior, Moe admits that, "I have adjustment fears because my time here has gone by so fast." As for his future, Moe has plans of going to graduate school part-time while living in Raleigh, Charlotte, or Fayetteville so that he may find a job within his major.

Moe's closing thought: "One of the most important things that you can do in life is to take advantage of opportunities that are available to you. Don't limit yourself because before you know it, it's too late."

ERIN L'NAI BERRY



Linda Joyce Locklear

Sociology
Maxton

Monica Lynn Locklear

Physical Education
Pembroke

T. Revis Long

Business Management
Chadbourn



Cameron Lavar Longstreet

Biology (Pre-Med) and Chemistry
Fayetteville

Sophia Ann Lopez

Political Science and Pre-Law
Fulton, MO

Sharon J. Love

Sociology
Laurel Hill

Jessica E. Lowman

Public Administration
Valdese

Michael Robert Mahalak

Art
Siler City

Matthew Stephen Manahan

English Education
Lillington



Bindu Manne

Finance/Marketing
Raleigh

William Christopher Maples

History
Rockingham

Deana L. Martel

History
Tucson, AZ



Leo pauses as he takes the final shot to win the game. We wish you good luck!

Senior Misty Fernandez discusses a point with Abdul Ghaffar during an SGA meeting.





Teresa M. Martin

Political Science/International Studies
New York, NY

Jamie Leigh Mauldin

Business Management
Fayetteville

Joanne L. McMillan

Business Administration/Management
Maxton



Gary Lewis McQueen

Business Management
Fayetteville

Martha Mendez Mescia

Accounting
Menifee, CA

Florence Akinyi Migele

Biology and Chemistry
Nairobi, Kenya



AKA MASSACHUSETTS

Jonna Lynn Morrison, a.k.a. Massachusetts, lived in the small suburb Westwood, outside of Boston, until coming to UNCP.

Jonna became a commuter her senior year. Her previous years were spent in the dorms on campus. Jonna feels that "living off campus gives you more privacy and personal space, but you're not in the center of activity like you would be when living on campus." Another disadvantage to living off campus "is the walk between the apartments and campus, especially when the weather is bad."

Jonna is a Social Work major. She chose Social Work because of her past experiences within this area. When Jonna worked with and spoke to professionals in the field she knew it was what she wanted to do. Another reason Jonna chose

Social Work was because of her strong desire to work with children and youth.

Outside of class Jonna works 10-15 hours a week as an office assistant for the wrestling team. Her duties included recruiting, match and event publicity, and paperwork for the wrestlers. She has very fond memories of working with the team and Coach Smith. She is grateful of having a job with flexible hours because it helped her deal with her overall responsibilities and learn time management.

When asked about her plans after graduation, Jonna says she will be moving back home and searching for her "dream job." Jonna concludes, "My experience at UNCP has been great and very fulfilling."



JESSICA PUCKETT

A SOLID FOUNDATION

William Donovan Watson, or Donovan (as most people know him) is a senior from White Lake, North Carolina, "a very small town with the lake being the main attraction."

Donovan is a Criminal Justice major. After graduation, Donovan plans to attend the NC Police Core School on a full scholarship and a job waiting for him in his hometown.

Donovan is a member of the Theta Xi Fraternity and really enjoys Greek life on campus. "It has allowed me to meet a lot of new people. My fraternity brothers are also able to help me academically through their experiences." Donovan is also actively involved in intramural athletics on campus. He plays

volleyball, football, soccer, and basketball every year. This past winter he was invited, along with 12 other intramural football players, to represent UNCP in tournaments at UNCW and at East Carolina University.

If he could give any advice to the students at UNCP it would be "not to slack off and pay attention to senior activities." Donovan also feels that you should use your first semester to set a solid foundation that you will be able to build on while at UNCP.

Donovan is looking forward to graduation. He leaves these words of advice to others: "This is a place of education and what you choose to do here will reflect how you will live the rest of your life."

MATTHEW VAUGHAN



Karen Miller

Business Administration/
Management
Lumberton

Lauren Elizabeth Miller

History
Lumberton

Charlotte Sue Mitchell

History
Columbus County

Karen Miller
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Jonna Lynn Morrison

Social Work
Westwood, MA

Keith Allen Murchison Sr.

Sociology
Springfield, MA

Patsy Gale Nance

Marketing and Management
Chadbourn





Hillary Griffin and two other friends take advantage of a wonderful snow day.

Graduates look on as they await the start of their commencement service.



Debra Ann Nelson

Marketing and Management
Bladenboro

Elizabeth Dawn Nichols

Public Relations
Jacksonville

Helena Victoria Odom

Psychology
Rowland



Heather Suzanne O'Tuel

Elementary Education
Hamlet

Cynthia L. Oxendine

Nursing
Raeford

Reena Renee Oxendine

Computer Science
Red Springs

Tamara Anne Oxendine

Political Science
Pembroke

Michelle Lynn Padgett

Psychology
Raleigh

Amie Lorraine Pittman

Management
Hope Mills



Jessica Ann Piotrowski

Criminal Justice
Hope Mills

Rebecca R. Powell

American Indian Studies
Shallotte

Rebecca Nicole Power

Psychology
Pembroke

Jessica Ann Piotrowski

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REACHING OUT

Most people knew her by her nickname "Dee," but however they call her, people can always count on Velma

Gradea Patrick to lend a helping hand or a sympathetic ear. Velma's major is Social Work and it is a field that she is committed to and excited about. When deciding to return to school to pursue her degree in Social Work, Velma was drawn to UNCP for its diversity of cultures and ideas.

Velma had initially planned to become a teacher, but after doing volunteer work she found that the classroom wasn't for her. As a social worker, she believes she will be able to reach people with special needs on a different level, a level that she could not reach with teaching. Velma considers herself fortunate to be a part of UNCP's Social Work Department. She feels the department is well organized, staffed with a knowledgeable faculty,



and developed with courses that will be beneficial to her after entering a professional career. Velma also plans to obtain her Master's

Degree in Public Management, in a further effort to help people with different needs.

As a commuter student, Velma believes the benefits of not living on campus include being able to find a quiet, comfortable place when needed, being able to see family more often, and no fire drills. "Being a commuter gives you the best of both worlds."

Velma looks forward to a career in Social Work and embarking upon the journey with tools and knowledge she gained here at UNCP. Through her own experiences, Velma is able to give this advice to students: "Before you decide upon a career, evaluate yourself and find what you would enjoy doing. You will spend a lot of time in your career, so make sure that is where you want to be."

CHARLIE DAVIS



Shanna Williamson Powers

English
Chadbourn

Erica Beth Quick

Elementary Education
Saint Pauls

Tabatha Ann Ransom

Marketing and Management
Clarkton



Dana Katherine Reece

Political Science Pre-law
Morrisville

Jessica Elizabeth Reed

Elementary Education
Laurinburg

Rebecca Ann Rice

Biology
Waldorf



Megan smiles brightly for the camera while enjoying time to hang with friends.

Senior Angela Hunt takes her final walk as undergraduate at UNC-Pembroke.

Shakeeta Spears stops to smile as she returns to her room in Belk Hall.

These three ladies take care of some last minutes steps before graduation starts.



Leroy Rising
Management
Lumberton

Deloris Lindsey Robinson
Criminal Justice
Richmond/Rockingham

Areda Jacobs Rogers
Math/Science Education
Bolton



Vanessa Rogers
Management
Laurinburg

Tony Lee Russell
Philosophy and Religion
Hamlet

Koji Sado
Business Administration
Jacksonville, FL

Vanessa Rogers
Photo Not Available



THE MUSICAL ALPHA

Michael Douglas Woodard, also known as Michael, is a 16 year native of Pinebluff, North Carolina. When asked to describe his hometown Michael stated, "It's small, quiet, slow, and has only one traffic light."

Michael stays on campus in Pine Hall. Unlike many people, he has only experienced the advantages of living on campus. The advantages that he mentioned were being able to meet different varieties of people and being in the vicinity of where everything happens. When questioned about the disadvantages of living on campus, he simply stated, "Other than the food sometimes, I don't see any."

Michael chose Music as his major and has never changed his decision. He chose this major because of his love of singing and his desire to have a career in something that he likes. He speaks fondly of the Music

Department here at Pembroke saying that it is "a close family."

While attending Pembroke as a full-time student, Michael has been involved in several organizations, such as Voices of Serenity (UNCP's gospel choir), AASO (African American Student Organization), and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated. Aside from being involved in school related organizations, Michael is also involved with UNCP's work-study program and is an employee of Blockbuster Video.

Michael advises all students to keep close contact with their advisors, so they won't have to have to take 20 hours like he had to do this past semester. After graduation he plans to relocate to

a larger city in Florida, New York, or California. In closing, Michael leaves his words of wisdom: "Having big dreams can take you to greater heights in life."

JESSICA DAVIS



Amanda Rose Sampson

Marketing
Lumberton

Danielle Nicole Scheunemann

Criminal Justice
Lumberton

Jurgita Schwan

Marketing
Lithuania



Jessie Javarus Shackleford

Marketing
Clinton

Stacy Lenay Skelton

Psychology
San Diego, CA

Gladys Genale Stephens

Business Management
Tabor City

Shantario Deshaun Stephens

Recreation Management

Saint Pauls

Phyllis Theresa Story

Social Work

Morganton

Reggle Strickland Jr.

Criminal Justice

Pembroke



Sheila Stinson Swift

Art Education

Laurinburg

Lauren Ashley Thigpen

Biology

Cary

Anthony Quinn Thomas

Business Administration

Elizabethtown



Father and son catch a quick nap between classes.

These seniors anxiously look over the program for their big day's events.





Sharon M. Tolliver

Social Work
Fayetteville

Cynthia Cox Torok

Business Management
Fayetteville

Luciano Vera Jr.

Psychology
Wahnetta, FL



Charlotte Anne Walker

History
Sanford

Lori Denise White

Mass Communications
Winston-Salem

Jessica Lynn Wilcox

Sociology
Orrum

LED TO TEACH

Melissa Wynne was born in Pembroke and has lived here all her life. She feels that Pembroke is "a small and family oriented town." Melissa, a commuter student, wishes there was more parking available and that parking spaces were closer to the buildings.

Melissa graduated with a BS degree in Chemistry in 1997 and came back for her licensure for a teaching certificate in Middle Grades Science Education. She decided to further her education because she feels led to teach. "Today's kids need more teachers that they can count on and more teachers who know where their students are coming from." Melissa feels that she can be a teacher that students can talk to.

Melissa's full time job is her kids and her husband. She has two boys, ages one and two, who keep her on her toes. She doesn't have a lot of time at home to study, so she gets most of her

studying done here on campus.

In 1993 Melissa chose to come to UNCP so she could be close to her dying father. She chose UNCP again because of her pleasant experiences the first go-round: "UNCP faculty are down to earth and are able to be more helpful with the school's smaller student-to-teacher ratio."

Melissa will miss the diverse group of friends and faculty she has met at UNCP. She has enjoyed her time here and looks forward to coming back in January 2003 to get her Master's degree in Middle Grade Science. Her advice to underclassmen is this: "Figure it out. It's all about being in the real world."

In closing, Melissa leaves this advice: "If you are going into Science Education, join the Science Education Club. You will be welcome and your experience will be enjoyable."

CHRISTINA CASTILLO



Senior Misty Fernandez reviews pictures for a yearbook layout.

A WNCP-TV staff member sets up her shot before taping an interview.



April C. Williams

Psychology
Maxton

Joseph Evan Williams

Business Administration/Management
Lumberton



Charles Russell Woods

Sociology
Maxton

Melissa M. Wynne

Chemistry/Middle Grades Education
Rowland





Jessica comes out to show her school spirit and support Pembroke Day.

These two seniors are prepared and ready for all the world has to offer.



Bryan Carter
Guanglin Dai



Yvonne James Galbreath



Tara Suzanne Bishop
Deanna Ruth Bullard
Nancy Charliane Callicutt



Vondia Yvette Capel
Marie Stephens Chavis
Eric Courtney Cuffe
Benjamin Isaac Deese



Jennifer Sechler and Nate Humphrey look on as they enjoy some admissions activities.

Tiffany Finnaday, Cotna Ames, and Yvonne Schoolfield make their way back to their rooms for dinner and conversation.





Devon Dial
Shawnique Elliott
Morgan Danielle Evans



Monica Lanese Frink
Nadean Davina Hafner
Retha Meares Hardgraves
Curtis Martell Henderson



SHINING STAR

Marie Victoria Bullard, or "Vicki" as she likes to be called, is a fascinating lady to say the least. Vicki is a 42-year-old junior from Hamlet, North Carolina. She transferred to Pembroke from Richmond Community College and is double majoring in Sociology and Education. Vicki hopes to one day work as a teacher or guidance counselor. "I love working with children and I have always wanted to be a teacher, even when I was little," she said.

Vicki chose UNCP because "it is wonderful school. UNCP offers all the classes I need to complete my goals. It is a very short distance from my home and the professors here are always willing to help students reach their goals." Vicki also chose UNCP because she heard good things about the Sociology Department.

Vicki has recently been inducted into the Gamma Beta Phi society, a

national honor society. Despite all of her academic achievements, it is outside of school where Vicki really shines. In addition to her college life, Vicki manages to raise 2 children on her own, a 15-year-old son named Brandon and a 10-year-old named

Nicholas. Vicki will gladly tell you that her children are her greatest accomplishment in life. Vicki gives a lot of credit to her parents. "My parents have been saviors to me. The are always there to help me, especially when it comes to the boys. Last semester during finals, my parents took the boys to their house so I could study

without interruption." She enjoys spending time with her family and lounging around the house when the time permits.

Vicki enjoys UNCP. She feels that UNCP is a great school with great professors.

SCOTT AMMONS



Decisions, decisions: Should I choose the purple or the red?

These two students share their song on Open Mic Night.

MR. PRESIDENT

Brandon Davis, UNCP's SGA president during the Fall 2002 semester, is a very busy man. He has always been actively involved in various clubs and organizations during his time here at the university. This interest in staying involved could stem from growing up in Thomasville, NC, a town that has "nothing to do," or it could just be the fact that Brandon knows what he wants and he strives to accomplish it.

Brandon lives on campus and feels that being close to everything that goes on around campus has helped him get involved. He arrived on campus as a wrestler and has been involved with many organizations including SGA, AASO, Student Ambassadors, Gospel Choir, PALs, and LSOP. Outside of class, Brandon participated in a reading program to help middle school students

learn to read and is a member of a local church where he plays drums and helps with the youth choir.

There are good and bad points to being at UNCP according to Brandon. He says that there are limited course offerings, but the professors are great for individual attention. Brandon is majoring in Biology and plans to go to Howard University in Washington, DC to eventually become an obstetrician. When asked what he would miss most after he graduates Brandon simply said, "The town of Pembroke." Brandon feels that the staff at UNCP has

prepared him well for life after college. He encourages incoming freshmen to "remember why you're here and get involved."

On a final note Brandon leaves his personal quote: "Motivate the unmotivated."

MELISSA BROWN



Gerold Hunt
Lantreco Jackson
Michael Jackson Jr.
Brenda K. Jacobs



Gertude C. Jacobs
Lisa Carol Jernigan
Emily Dare Johnston





As the campus commemorates the first anniversary of "9-11," PJ stands proud.

Taneisha "Red" Epps always carries a smile.



Kala Locklear
Stephanie Diane Long
Elliott G. Palmer
Amy Lynn Paul



Bruce D. Pier
Shannon N. Revels
Nyasia Saturn Rosario

Peter Keith Sanderson
Gwen Marie Simmons
Erin Lane Smith



Terri Danielle Stewart
Shervain Sweat
Tiffany Nicole Turner



BUSY VOLUNTEER

Donna Marie Shifflette grew up in a small town off of Nashua River: "A town where everyone knows everyone, your sisters get married and move down the street, and high school rivalries against the next town were not uncommon." Donna now lives in Fayetteville and commutes to school. Donna chose UNCP because of "the quality of the school and treatment of students. I am constantly learning here at UNCP, and that is what I am here to do."

Donna volunteers at Brentwood Elementary School where she reads to the children and helps during center time. She also teaches Sunday school at Snyder Memorial Baptist Church. Donna is involved in the Enlisted Spouses

Association, in which wives with military spouses strive to better the Fort Bragg community. She is also a member of Alpha Sigma Lambda and Phi Theta Kappa, two honor societies involved in helping communities and people.

Donna doesn't let her extracurricular activities affect her studies, though. "School is my job right now."

If Donna could change anything about UNCP, it would involve more activities for commuter students. "If we had more activities for commuters, students would be able to meet different people who live in their area." In closing

Donna leaves her thoughts about UNCP: "I think this is a really nice school and the students should be more proud of it. You can receive a great education for a good price here at UNCP."



HEATHER DILLING

Matt and a friend bundle up for snowy weather.





Alicia L. Vesely
Rosalind Watson
Amanda Dale Williams



Andrea M. Winter
Erica Ann Woodyard
John C. Worthington



Sharing a laugh, Bryan and Harley relax in West Hall.



Jonathan and a friend get together outside the Jones Athletic Center.

Dancing to the beat, Senel Virgin and Andrea Myagi put their best feet forward

All ready for work, Jason Conners waits for yearbook class to begin.



Lauren Meredith Ames
Stephanie Amanda Anderson
Maureen Marie Baisley
Christopher Allen Barfield



John Thomas Bednar
Temika Nicole Bobbitt
Lenora Yvette Bowler
Kala Ann Brammer





These ladies take a moment to cuddle up after a day of play in the snow.

STAYING ON TASK

Christopher Allen Branch knows that hard work and determination are what it takes for college students to stay at the top of their classes.

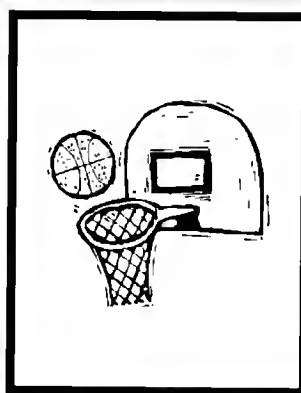
Chris is a sophomore at UNC Pembroke. He has maintained a 3.2 grade point average while working twenty-six hours a week at Finish Line. In his free time Chris tutors, plays basketball, and participates in the USGA. Chris has not decided his major yet, but feels when the time comes he will make the right decision. Chris comes from a close-knit family where his parents are still happily together. Chris has five brothers and sisters aged from thirty-five to fifteen. His fifteen-year-old sister has been diagnosed with Down syndrome. Chris is always

willing to help out his family when needed.

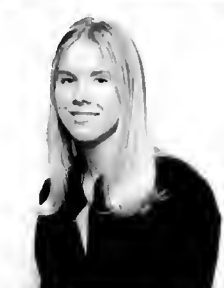
Chris loves UNCP; he enjoys the small classroom size and getting to know his professors one on one. When asked how he works, maintains a good social life, and still does well in school he said, "It can be done as long as you get your work done and stay on task. It does not matter if you are a freshman or a senior; sometimes you have to say no to going out with friends when you have other obligations to take care of."

If Chris could give any advice to freshmen on what to do or what not to do your first year, he said, "Keep your mouth shut because word gets around fast on the small campus."

STEPHANIE RUDD



Kimberly Christina Burkham
Elizabeth Ann Butler
Christina Marie Castillo
Myranda Javon Chavis



Jason M. Conners
Robin Connolly
Lynn Marie Courtney
Leslie Paige Cranford

Steven Eric DeVane
James Michael Drummond
Mark Dustin
Margery Jane Faulk

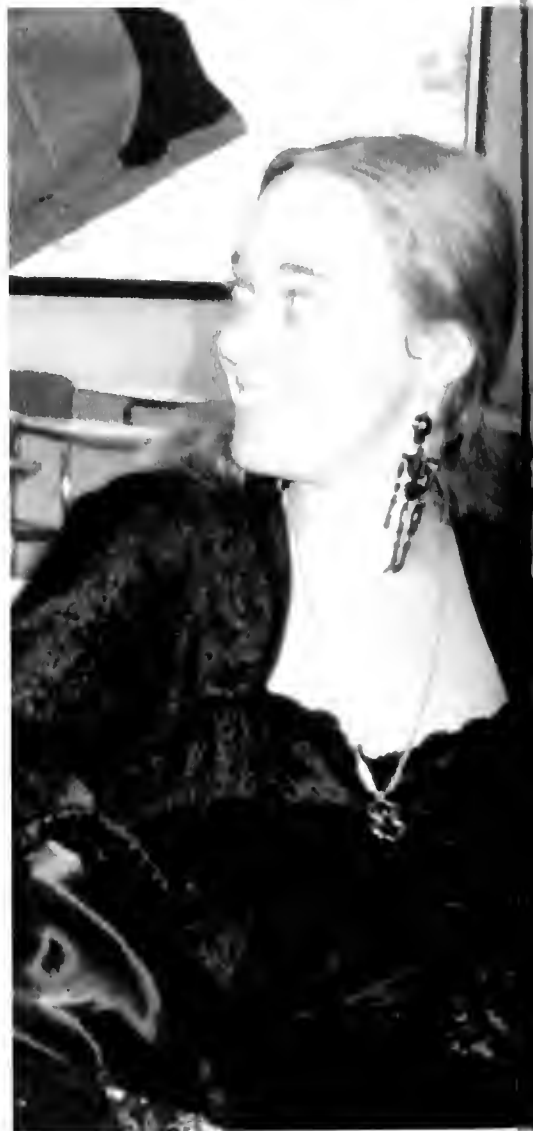


Maurice Quantrel Felder
Myra Rosette Frederick
Paul Joseph Gajda II
Candice Leigh Gooch



Christina Castillo enjoys the afternoon with her sons Alexander and Kristian.

This student smiles happily as the camera appears at his door.





Cherece Nichole Grier
 Joshua Brent Hallman
 Jennifer Candilee Hammonds
 Aviston Marquis Harris



Christopher Lavon Harris
 Jason Christopher Harthcock
 Angelica Renee Hicks
 Laura Ann Howell



GI MIYAGI


Andrea Miyagi, or, as people call her, "Miyagi," was born in Okinawa, Japan and has lived in Raeford, NC for 10 years. When asked why she picked UNCP out of all other colleges she said, "Mainly because of the small classes and the ratio of professors to students. I have visited many universities and none can compare to the unity and cohesiveness we uphold here at UNCP."

Miyagi is actively involved in sports and other clubs here at UNCP. Her freshman year she was a member of the varsity softball team and is currently a senator of SGA and community service chairman in LSOP, a member of the interested ladies of LTA, and president of LASO. She also has the important job as resident advisor at North Hall and at night helps with troubled youth and their

parents as a counselor. She also was in the Air Force ROTC program and plans on pursuing a career in the military once she graduates from college. Miyagi plans to further her education in Political Science, International Studies, and Spanish also. She chose these majors mainly to assist her with the military career she wants to pursue.

When asked what she thought about the athletics program she said, "It has improved and the unity each sport has is impressive." Her favorite professor is Dr. Berry because "he's an excellent professor who makes a learning experience fun and also interesting." When asked what she would change, if anything, about the student life or academics at UNCP she replied, "Nothing. I like everything UNCP has to offer."

BRANDON MICHAEL

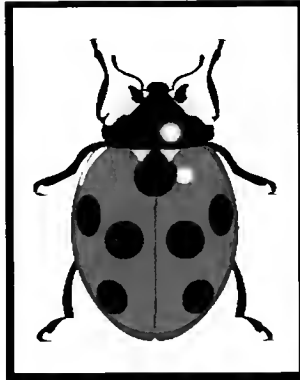


Becky Purkall shows the Halloween spirit during Dr. Stephenson's Creative Writing class.

These ladies share a laugh while waiting to have their yearbook portraits taken.

CONTROLLING PESTS

Robert Matheson Canady, also known as "Butta" or "Matt," was born November 25, 1983, in a small town called Lumber Bridge, NC. Matt has lived in Lumber Bridge his entire life. Matt is currently a sophomore commuter student at UNCP. He decided to attend UNCP because it is close to home and is "full of good professors." Matt thinks that commuting is a good way to attend school because there are fewer distractions at home and you can get more sleep. Matt states, "Commuter life is the best because you get to stay at home and do what you please without having to hear someone's mouth."



Matt hopes to eventually take over his father's pest control business. He is currently working for his father part time. After classes, Matt rides around in a company truck and sprays homes for insect invasion. Matt has chosen science for his major because he would like to learn more about the

insect world. After graduation Matt states, "I hope to use my science skills to become the best pest control man around."

Matt is not involved with a school group but has played intramural basketball in the school tournaments.

Matt states, "I like to play basketball out here because it gives me an opportunity to meet a variety of people." Matt's most memorable moment at UNCP was his game-winning, three-point shot in last year's intramural basketball game. In his spare time, Matt enjoys taking his 2002 Mustang GT to the drag strip for a little fast paced

action. He also enjoys the time he spends with his family and girlfriend.

In closing, Matt states, "If I could change one thing about school it would be the time schedules and locations of classes. This would make it a lot easier to make it to class on time."

MATTHEW T. CLARK



Joanetta Sadia Ingram
Barbara R. Jacobson
Alicia Ronell Jones
John P. Jones



Kristy Dawn Kinlaw
Mary Ellen Kresse
Genevieve Celine LeBeau
Nakeshia Monique Lewis





Exhausted from studying, this student takes a break.

The ladies of LASO teach students some hot Latin moves.



Desarae Locklear
Tiffany Locklear
Fallon Marquitor Lord
Nathan Alan Lusk



Joy Dru Manders
Monica McDowell
Kandice Lesley Meyers

Troy Anthony Mitchell
Andrea Miyagi
Ruby Nichole Parker



Michael Jermaine Pittman
Michael William Pruitt Jr
Rebecca Purkall
Ryan Jon Revier



STARTING SMALL

William Marcus Odom is a sophomore from Rowland, North Carolina, a small town with friendly people and a love for football. William has lived in Rowland for his entire life. William recognized the easy access to campus activities events, availability of parking, and closeness to classes as advantages to dorm life. Dealing with other students' different personalities and sharing bathrooms are the disadvantages. William feels that his surroundings have caused him to become a stronger individual and have made life easier than expected.



William chose Business as his major because it doesn't involve as much math as his previous major, Computer Science. William feels that the course offerings in the Business Department are "professional yet comfortable." William plans to use his major in a computer-oriented job that has an

involvement in sciences. He wants to "start small and end up big."

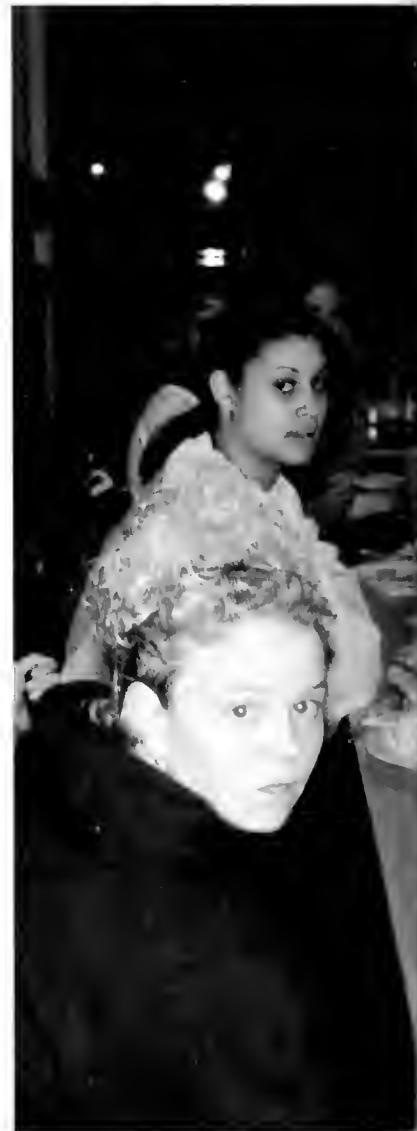
William is a very social person who understands the needs of his peers. Odom is involved in study groups with

fellow classmates. William is also actively involved in his church. Like most students, he clarified his passion for sleeping and getting rest. The main reasons he chose UNCP were because it is affordable, close to home, and has smaller classes. "UNCP recognizes me as an individual, not a number." Having to choose between many professors, William ac-

knowledge his math instructor, Dr. Sumpter, as his favorite professor because of the friendly environment of her classroom. "Dr. Sumpter is a great teacher with solid knowledge of her curriculum."

William ended the interview by saying, "UNCP has been fun so far and I have enjoyed myself thoroughly."

CHAD JONES



Say What! Students socialize at the fall semester exam breakfast.



Rachel O. Serrano
Julia Marie Sheahan
Shannon Teresa Sheriff



Senel Vurgun
Tamara Renee Watson
Alvin Dwight Whitley Jr.
Sean A. Williams



Cram! A student studies for yet another college test.

This student carries her lunch with her on the way back from the caf.

We'll remember the friends we made along the way.

Kyle Orozovich and friends take a night off from studying.



Alvin Whitley is hoping his ball will move full speed ahead!

These students are enjoying the snow and NO classes!





A GOOD EXAMPLE

John Scott Ammons is a thirty-year-old, non-traditional college freshman that started his college career this past summer to stimulate his intellect. Scott, as he liked to be called, faces the same obstacles other freshmen face, but he has a couple more to concentrate on.

Scott is a father of two and works a full-time job at Brady's Flower Shop as a wedding coordinator. Scott always puts his family first. "My son John and my daughter Jessica are my greatest achievements," he said. Scott wants to set a good example for others, especially for his children.

Scott is involved with many

organizations including Gamma Beta Phi and Alpha Phi Omega. Scott chose to join these fraternities because they are always helping. Scott is also involved with LSOP, North Carolina Student Legislature, and is a senator on the Student Government Association. When asked how he had time for all these programs, Scott said, "If you enjoy what you are doing then the time seems to present itself."



In four years Scott hopes to have a resume that businesses will drool over. With two kids, an excellent career, and a promising college future, Scott is setting a good example for others to follow.

MARC THORNE



Alesa Monique Abron
Jeremy B. Adams
Nicholas Paul Adrian
Tiffany Nicole Alford
John Scott Ammons
Sara E. Anastasio



Matthew Levi Anglin
Chistopher Thomas Beddow
Erin L'nai Berry
Amanda Faith Black
Amber Marie Breswitz
Robert Joseph Brown



Douglass Lindsay Burkhart Jr.
Sandra Lee Butler
Jason Clark
Broch Christopher Clinton
Dominique Betta Cooper
Charlie Edward Davis

These students stop to pose as they hurry to get back to the dorm.

Miss UNCP, Aja Locklear, shares her excitement with her parents



Nick Andre gives the camera his million dollar smile as he takes a late night break.

These beautiful ladies put on their best smiles as they take a night stroll through campus.





Alasha Dixon
Amy Michelle Dunn
Alexis Corynn Elliott
Adrienne Marlene Evans
Christina Marie Fiorentino
Nicholas Randall Frazier



Rockwell Edward Gerlach
Jessica Ann Gillis
Simonee Chrischelle Gonzalez
Kevin Gordon
Chandra Jeanne Graham
Shenyetta Shane' Graham



Erin Denise Guerrero
Annette Lynn Hagans
Rachel Elizabeth Harbert
Letecia Lynn Hardin
David Dylan Harris
Aleesha Lee Herring



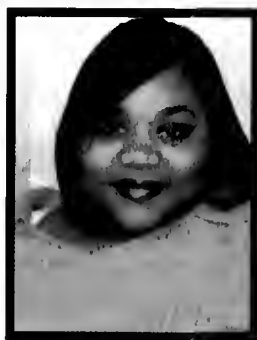
REMINDER OF HOME

Jessica Davis is a freshman living in the dorms at UNCP. Jessica is from Timberlake, NC, a town she says "is in the woods and has no traffic lights."

Jessica chose to attend Pembroke because of the close linked campus. She also likes it because it is close to home. Jessica has decided on a major in Elementary Education because she loves children and enjoys working with them. She plans on working with the North Carolina school system in the future. Jessica has experienced the advantages and disadvantages of staying on campus, with some of the advantages including meeting new people and not having to drive to school every morning. One particular disadvantage Jes-

sica has encountered was not getting along with her roommate.

Jessica is semi-active in Voices of Serenity, the university's gospel choir. Her favorite subject is Math.



Jessica said her favorite teacher is Mrs. Sumpter because "she is always willing to help you no matter what." If she had the chance to change anything about UNCP, Jessica would require fewer papers in Composition and she would create a class so students could learn the basics of what college professors want out of their students.

Overall Jessica enjoys attending the University of North Carolina at Pembroke; it reminds her of her hometown.

DEANNA MILLER

EXPERIMENTING

Brent Hitz is a freshman baseball player who decided to give a small town college a try. Brent is from Burke, Virginia. "The area I lived in is Northern Virginia and it's the exact opposite of a small town. There were over 600 people that graduated with me."

Although Brent hasn't officially declared a major, he plans on going into the Criminal Justice field. "I've heard UNCP has a very good Criminal Justice department and I am very anxious to start classes in the department." After college, Brent wants to work for the CIA or the FBI and be involved with Special Operations.

When Brent is not hitting the



books, he is out on the baseball field having a good time. Brent is a pitcher for the baseball team here at UNCP. For him, being on the baseball team

has been a wonderful experience. He has become friends with everyone on the team. In his spare time, Brent enjoys outdoor activities, such as hunting and hiking. "I like to get away from everyday life and go out and enjoy nature."

When asked why he chose to come to Pembroke, Brent replied, "To play baseball and get a quality education. I like

the size of the campus because it isn't too big or too small." Brent has no regrets about giving this small town college a try.

KYLE OROZOVICH



Jernise Tamiba Hobbs

Catherine Leanna Hogan

Dominic Quinn Hogan

Joseph Nathaniel Humphrey

Amy Elizabeth Hutton

LaTanya Lynn Hyman



Daniel Jacobs

Jether Jemima James

Raji Wali Johnson

Ervin Maurice Jones Jr.

Joanne Donna Kaniewski

Rebecca Lynn Knox



Joanna Michelle Lamm

Krista Rose Lamm

Courtney Jai Leggette

Larissa Anne Linton

Lisa Marie Louis

Christina Maria Lowery





West Hall residents are having a wonderful time just hanging out.

Best friends Faidat Onikou and Julia Maathay smile as they pass through the square



These guys chill out after a social gathering outside of Jacobs Hall.

Robin puts her best smile forward during the Miss UNCP evening wear competition.

April Joan Lowry
Julia Maathey
Henry McNeil Martin
Leila Tanita Mayer
Ryan M. McGann



Erin Elizabeth Grace McInerney
Kimberly Diane McKenzie
Lakeshia S. McNeil
Anthony Miller
Lee Michael Nejberger



Stacie Danette Nutting
Faidat Olatola Onikou
Tracie Danielle Oxendine
Amber Star Pierce
Tracy Ann Rivas
Shirley L. Robinson



SPORTS PSYCHOLOGY

Lauren Losoncy came to UNCP from Shillington, Pennsylvania. Her time spent at UNCP so far has been "enriching." Despite having her stuff stolen, Lauren feels that dorm life has made her more responsible and understanding of others.

Lauren is a psychology major and her ultimate goal is to become a psychologist who advises a major athletic team. Her uncle, who has a similar job, sparked her interest in this particular field.

Lauren's favorite professor is Dr. Cabe, who not only teaches psychology, but also uses it in his classes. "He gets everyone involved



in the discussions and leaves them feeling as if they are a significant part of the group." Lauren's experiences on the tennis team have shown her, first hand, true competition and the advantages of good relationships between team members. Lauren's fellow team members have become her best friends.

If she could change anything about UNCP, Lauren would give students more freedom in the dorms. "The RA's have too many restrictions." In closing Lauren leaves this advice: "Have fun and study hard!"

TERRI GRAY





Hurrying off to class, this guy shows his school spirit and takes a moment to smile.

Victoria and her roommate prove that sharing is good.



It's Ladies Night, and these ladies are happy and filled with cheer.

Tyrone Mallard and friend look stern as the camera appears.

It's all about the snow! These friends make their way through the inclement weather.



These handsome gentlemen pose for the camera on a beautiful, sunny day.



A little stunned, these people smile happily while enjoying the dorm life of Jacobs Hall.



EXPANDING HORIZONS

Jonathan Kevin Spell, also known as Jon, is a freshman from High Point, North Carolina.

Jon's first comment about the school was how different it is from home. "The culture and people are very different here." Jon misses his hometown friends even though he has made many more friends right here on campus. He chose UNCP because it was affordable and because he knew he had the chance to make the baseball team, and he did. Jon feels the biggest disadvantages of living on campus are the small rooms and little privacy.

Jon works as a life guard for the work-study program and feels "the pay is more than sufficient." Jon also pitches for the baseball team.

"Being on the baseball team teaches you to be a winner through hard work."

Jon's favorite teacher is Dr. Murray because "he teaches at a level that helps you to comprehend." If Jon could change anything about UNCP, it would be the "strict attendance code."

Jon feels that UNCP has changed his life in a positive way by expanding his horizons. He feels that going to college was the best thing he could have done because he doesn't want to do "back-breaking" work for the rest of his life.

In closing, Jon states, "College is what you make of it, so do your best in order to succeed in life."

CHAD TAYLOR



Stephanie Nicole Sanderson
Shawn Shepard Sledge
Shenna Marie Spaugh
Shakeeta Shawnta Spears
Jennifer Elizabeth Stout
Elizabeth Nicole Tynen



Kelly Agnes Velez
Theresa Ofelia Vitek
Tamika Danielle Wakeel
Victor Graham Whitacre
Kelly Lynn White



Siama Diomande Wicks
Ashley Christina Williams
Crystal Dawn Williams
Siporia Rickell Wrighten
Michael Zimmermann

Allen C. Meadors

Chancellor

Roger G. Brown

Provost and Vice Chancellor for
Academic Affairs

Glen Burnette

Vice Chancellor for Advancement



Jacqueline H. Clark

Vice Chancellor for Enrollment
Management

Neil Hawk

Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs

Diane O. Jones

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs



GOING GLOBAL

Some people were born to be followers and some were born to be leaders. Dr. Alex Chen is definitely a leader. Chen is the associate vice chancellor of International Programs. He helps raise grant money to support International Programs of academic perspective. He also reaches Management Information Systems courses and Quantitative Methods for graduate students.

Born and raised in Taipei, Taiwan, Chen received his B.A. in Agriculture Extension at the National Taiwan University. He then earned his Ph.D. in Rural Sociology at Pennsylvania State University in 1987. Chen remained at Penn State for 14 years as a professor in the school of business, teaching information systems and international business courses. Chen explains that not only business, but all majors are essential to humanity. "It's good for students to have a better perspective living in this global village," he said.

Chen has always been interested in computer and quantitative methods. By chance, he said, his job is combined with international business and quantitative methods. He joined UNCP in the summer of 2001 because of the great possibilities and leadership of Chancellor Allen Meadors.



"UNCP is striving to be the best," Chen said. "It's growing and has a good quality of programs."

In his first six months in Robeson County, Chen developed international programs with five universities in Europe and relationships with three sister schools in China, four in Taiwan and one in Macau. He also is proud of a new Masters of Public Management program that UNCP is offering in China.

Chen wants students to know that there are great opportunities in studying abroad. He hopes to have 200 foreign students in the next five years and at least 10 students overseas by next year.

Although Chen has only been at UNCP for a short while, he feels comfortable with the atmosphere. "There's a lot of energy here and young folks are eager to learn," he said.

Chen is so dedicated to his job that he finds little time for a hobby. "It's hopeless," Chen says holding and shaking his head. "But I am trying to take up golfing." Chen has three children, a daughter who attends the University of Pennsylvania, a son who stays with his ex-wife, and a 10-year-old daughter who stays with Chen in Lumberton.

CARINA BLEDSOE



Alexander N. Chen

Associate Vice Chancellor for
International Programs

William H. Gash Jr.

Associate Vice Chancellor for
Academic Affairs

Lisa Lewis Schaeffer

Associate Vice Chancellor for
Student Affairs



Vice Chancellor Jackie Clark
speaks with Congressman
Mike McIntyre at the May 2002
graduation.



Associate Vice Chancellor Alec
Price shares some final thoughts
with Dr. Elinor Foster, University
Librarian, and Associate Vice
Chancellor Alex Chen at the May
2002 graduation, the last
commencement Price attended
before his retirement.

MAKING EDUCATION COMPUTE

Born and raised in China, Dr. Guo Wei came to UNCP two years ago to instruct students in a number of computer science and math classes. He is currently an assistant professor in the Department of Math and Computer Science.

Wei's goal is to give his students a tough course of study so that they are well prepared for further study or for job competition after college.

"I really hope to help them to achieve their best," he said. "I want them to be competent so they have confidence."

He is originally from Xi'an in Central China, a large city known as the starting place of the ancient "Silk Road" and also as the place where Terra Cotta Warriors were buried in Qin Shi Huang's tomb in 210 B.C. (The Great Wall of China was built under a command of the ancient King). He earned both a B.S. and an M.S. in Mathematics from Northwestern University, P.R. China.

Interested in furthering his education and convinced that the United States would be a good place to raise his family, Wei enrolled at the University of Texas at El Paso in 1993 and earned his M.S. in Statistics two years later. Wei then moved on to New Mexico State University and in 1999 earned both a Ph.D. in Mathematics (field in Statistics) and an M.S. in Computer Science.

As an assistant professor at UNCP, Wei believes his primary role is to teach. And he believes that for students to understand concepts fully, they must participate through sufficient hands-on experience.

"In class, I ask students to read and think. I ask them

to expand their minds through technology," he said. "Many of my homework assignments are on handouts with an Internet address attached, where students can see the solutions after they finish their assignments." Wei also teaches Statistical and Computer courses where students research realistic and statistical models. That expertise came

in handy as he worked on two federal grants/contracts in the past two years and as he is currently working with Linda Greaver of the UNCP Regional Center on a Healthy Start Project in schools in the surrounding region to improve prenatal outcomes and eliminate racial and ethnic disparities. Wei is the project evaluator in the local segment of the nationwide project. He will be making sense of the enormous amounts of data that has been painstakingly collected.

"We have to organize that some way to get comparisons," he said. "I will do the data model analysis."

Wei and his wife, Jianmin Cui, live in Pembroke with their two sons, one 16 years old and the other 2 months. Cui was a computer engineer in China, but is currently staying home with the children.

When Wei is not mapping out math and computer algorithm research or instructing students in school, he's at home with family and friends watching the TV programs "The Weakest Link" or the "Discovery Channel" or sports games. He and his family have not been back to China since they left in 1993, but they plan to visit relatives in Xi'an next year.

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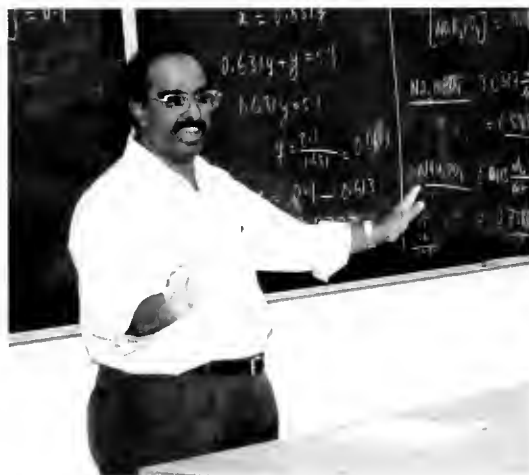
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HISTORY WITH A BEAT

Hearing about the death of Napoleon as an 8th grader ignited a passion and curiosity in Dr. Julie Smith for history that can never be extinguished. "I was not satisfied that Napoleon had just died," said Smith, an assistant professor in the History Department. "I needed to know more details, like why did he die?"

That was back in Wattsburg, PA, a small town about 30 miles from Lake Erie. Her earliest recollection of history is as a 10 year old when her mother gave her *American History Illustrated* magazine as a gift, and Smith became gripped by the past.

After high school, Smith earned her B.A. in Political Science and Economics at Thiel College, a small, private liberal arts college in Pennsylvania that had about 900 students. From there it was on to the University of Akron to get her master's degree in Public Administration. The population of 27,000 was very unnerving for the small-town girl. "I was so overwhelmed when I got there that I think I only went into two buildings," said Smith.

From Akron, Smith moved to Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh, where she earned her Ph.D. in History in 1994. Her dissertation analyzed two orphanages between 1832 and 1927 to see the role orphanages played in creating the definition of family in the United States.

In addition to becoming expert in building web sites and computer programming at Carnegie-Mellon, Smith played rugby and was a member of the rowing team. A long-time football, hockey and baseball fan, she loved the competitiveness of rugby.

"It was great to be able to tackle people," she said. "It

was a great way to relieve stress."

Her first teaching job came at Dakota State University in 1994, where she was the entire history and political science department. She was brought to UNCP in August 2001 to teach Social Studies Education and American and Asian history.



"When I first arrived nearly everyone I spoke with talked about the rural nature of the area, but coming from South Dakota this place is not that rural," said Smith. "But it is rural enough that I felt comfortable with the move."

Looking around Smith's office, it's easy to see her love of books. Shelf after shelf is filled with books ranging from African-American History to Sports History and everywhere in between. She loves biographies, but her favorite genre is murder-mystery novels because, she says, history is a mystery.

She teaches American Civilization since 1877, History of Modern Far East, and the Content of Teaching Social Studies. She doesn't consider teaching as actual work because she loves to do it. She has a passion

and enthusiasm for history that she brings to class.

"I love to see the 'a-ha moment' when you see in their eyes that they are actually getting it," said Smith. "It's very satisfying."

In Smith's classes you are likely to hear rock music, Revolutionary War music and beer drinking music. She uses lots of videos and tells a lot of soldier's stories from the Civil War. She also tells jokes that were told 230 years ago and explains how they parallel with today. History, she says, helps us find out who we are as a people.

GAVIN WYSE

Food Service Director Mike Nance is on hand for the December 2002 late night "breakfast" in the cafeteria during finals.

University Center Director Cynthia Oxendine reviews paperwork in her office.



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FAREWELL, DEAN PRICE

This is what is important in my life," said Associate Vice Chancellor Alec Price in the spring of 2000, indicating with a sweep of his hand pictures of his wife Teresa, sister and two nephews, making clear that his priority was his family. One couldn't help but think, though, that Price's sweeping gesture included UNCP as well and its generations of students who benefitted from his tenure here until his retirement at the end of the Spring 2002 semester.

Except for a brief interlude as a social worker for developmentally delayed children, Price spent his entire career working with UNCP. A 1971 graduate of Pembroke, with a master's degree in sociology from North Carolina Central University, Price took his first job with the University in 1974 as director of the Carolina Indian Teacher Efficiency Model and was quickly promoted to assistant director of the Human Services Center in 1975. Beginning in 1980 and for the next 19 years, Price was the dean of students and chief housing officer, a job that ended only with his promotion to associate vice chancellor for student affairs in 1999.

Price's nearly 30 years on campus gave him a unique perspective on the University. "When I first started with Pembroke, you knew everyone on campus," Price said. "It was a very close, tight-knit community." Though the University still offered a small-town atmosphere, especially as compared to larger schools, some change was inevitable. "People I used to see every day, I now can go months without seeing," Price said.

Still, the University's growth has yielded enormous benefits, particularly with the quality of students attracted

to UNCP. "Students today seem to be more responsible, with the mindset of getting their education," Price said. He fully expected this trend to continue, as the University looks at expanding enrollment by as much as 150 percent in the next six to eight years.

While he said it had been exciting to be such an integral part of the University's growth, Price admitted it would soon be time to move. "Change is good," he said, "and it's good to have some new, young blood with that change." Besides, Price conceded that after 30 years, he would like to take more time to enjoy his family.

Price's wife Teresa, who had both her undergraduate and master's degrees from UNCP, taught in the Robeson County public school system. And though originally from the Durham area, Price's sister eventually followed her brother to this area where she and her two sons have settled.

In fact, when not playing in bridge tournaments, Price admitted that most weekends find him supporting his nephews' sporting events, teaching the oldest how to drive, or just enjoying their company. Though unsure of where he would retire, he guaranteed one thing: He would settle in a small town close to his sister and



nephews.

Reflecting on his long University career and eventual retirement, Price was anything but melancholy. Rather, indicating again the myriad pictures proudly displayed on his office bookcase, Price stressed that it was his family that was his driving force. "These people are everything to me," he said.

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RE-CAREERING

Taking the helm as Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs when Alec Price retired was Dr. Lisa Lewis Schaeffer. Although new to this position, Schaeffer was a familiar face on campus, having helped many students polish their resumes and focus their job searches during her tenure as Director of the UNCP Career Services Center. Schaeffer also held many successful career, graduate school and volunteer fairs during the 12 years she held the director's post, as well as sponsoring teachers' fairs that helped education majors find out what employers were looking for and what hot prospects might be available to them.

"I always knew I would come back to North Carolina for college. My dad attended Duke and my mom attended Flora Macdonald College when it was a college for women," said Schaeffer. Graduate school led her to an internship at Fayetteville Technical Community College where she said she "found my niche working with college students." After completing her master's in counseling at Campbell, she found a job in 1984 with UNCP's admissions office and went from admissions counselor to associate director in five years. She also earned her doctorate in education from Campbell University in 1993.

Schaeffer married UNCP soccer coach Mike Schaeffer in 1987. "We are from two totally different backgrounds," she said. "He comes from a long line of Lutheran ministers and isn't from here originally," said Schaeffer.

She wasn't exaggerating about the different backgrounds. Lisa Schaeffer's father was the biggest tobacco warehouseman in Western Kentucky until he recently sold

the business. Although Schaeffer was born in Robeson County, she spent fall seasons in Mayfield, Ky., and summers in Vidalia, Ga. The family's wanderlust nature is not lost on Schaeffer.

The list of places she has traveled to includes 35 states and 12 countries. A recent trip took her to Disney World in Orlando, Fla. "You can tell that my focus has changed,"

Schaeffer said. Her focus at home is her son, Ethan Lewis Schaeffer. The Schaeffers traveled to Russia to adopt Ethan. "He's my pride and joy," she added.

Another hobby Schaeffer enjoys is drawing, something she picked up in college. She also had a photograph published in the International Library of Photography, an article about her father's business published in a Kentucky magazine, and received the Distinguished Alumna Award from Campbell University in 1998. She is also active in several organizations such as the Southern Association of Colleges and Employers and the National Association of Colleges and Employers. Her off-campus activities include presentations for local

schools and community clubs. She also helps various groups such as women and seniors in re-careering efforts.

"Re-careering — that is a term," Schaeffer said. "I originally thought I was going to law school. Then I realized that's not what I wanted to do, so I shifted career plans."

Reflecting on her years as director of the career center, Schaeffer noted, "I love to get a call back from a graduate who says they appreciate the time I spent with them and they are successful and happy. I really, really love what I do."

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Financial Aid Director Bruce Blackmon and other staff members wait for the Homecoming parade to get started.

Residence Administrator Lucy Hammonds throws candy to spectators as she marches in the Homecoming parade with her Theta Kappa sisters.

Together As One

*U*nfortunately, all good things must come to an end. As the year has unfolded, there have been unforgettable memories made at this university. We walk away with a sincere sense of pride, dignity, and unity.

*N*aturally, we will stare back in a state of nostalgia at the numerous events we have shared with classmates, roommates, co-workers, and friends. Nevertheless, time moves forward, and we must prepare to face new experiences. As we travel onward, we will hold *Brave* memories near.

Hanging out—Ben Kassahun and friend take a break from class outside Jacobs Hall.



What's up? This student is surprised by the candid camera.

These students come together for crunch time in their University Courtyard apartment as finals quickly approach.





Nick and Ray chill with "Tommy."

Bobby dances at the Pow Wow while his regalia is beautifully displayed.



Xadean Haffner and Allen open a box for CAB.

The end of the semester is approaching and Brock is ready for a break.

Ed Wittenburg and Matt lounge outside West Hall.



Hand in hand, Brandon Hall and Melissa Moore take a quick snapshot before the Homecoming dance.



Hi-Ho, Hi-Ho, It's off to class we go.

Winter Commencement.....It's finally here!!





Brothers Nick and Ray Andre enjoying lunch in the cafeteria.

This student seems to be having a great time at Pembroke Day.



Scenic views such as this are found across the campus of UNCP.



These two dancers are having a great time performing at a Pow Wow.

*C*ontinually, we have been together as one. We have overcome difficult circumstances and conquered many challenges. Through it all, Pembroke has taught us to build upon our self-confidence and character; if we can continue to cherish the present and contribute to the future, then we can contentedly celebrate in this year's closing.

*P*erhaps as we part, we will all take a piece of this experience to heart. Proudly, we leave this university in a state of growth. In appreciation, we close these pages indebted to all of the many faces that have made this book possible.

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